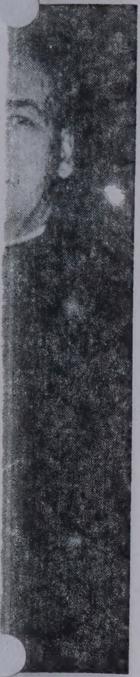

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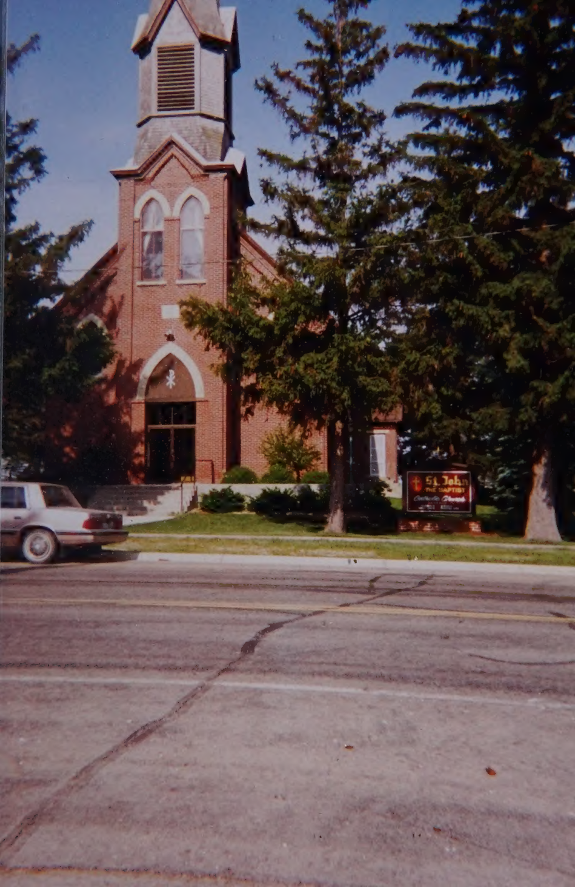
ONE HUNDRED YEARS — A BRIEF SKETCH

The first settlers came to the Johnsburg area, Adams township, Mower County, Minnesota, in 1855. In 1857 Father George Keller of Faribault visited Germania and said Mass occasionally in homes of the settlers. In 1859 under the direction of Father Keller, John Heimer deeded ten acres to Bishop Thomas L. Grace of St. Paul for a church and parish grounds. An oak log church 18 x 28 was built and the roof covered with shingles made by hand. St. John the Baptist was chosen as patron of the new congregation. Charter members of the new parish were Castor Adams, John Adam Blake, Patrick Gilligan, John Heimer, Stephen Heimer, Nicholas Huemann, Mathias Kehrig, Christian Krebsbach, Frank Xavier Schmitz, Nicholas Schumacher, Michael Schmitz and John Weber.

Father Keller visited this parish once a month from Faribault until 1866. Then his successor at Faribault, Father P. C. Scheve, had charge of Germania for a year. In 1867 Father John McDermott of Austin took charge for two years. The next pastor at Austin, Father C. Genis, served St. John's from 1869 to 1874. It was under Father Genis that the second church, 30 x 60 was built in 1871.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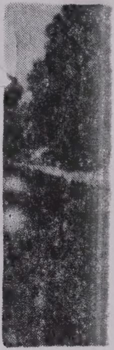
Father John Pavlin of Austin had charge of Germania in 1874. And in that year a frame parochial school building was erected. Lay teachers did the teaching. In this school building the first resident pastor, Father Bernard Baumann, took up living quarters in 1875. Father A. Stecher succeeded him in 1881.

About this time the Peter Freund family established the first store here. 1880 was the date. The community had been known as Germania since its establishment even though there were a number of Irish families such as the Meehans, Rooneys and Gilligans in the parish. The name of the place was now changed to Johnsburg in 1880, in memory of Johnsburg, Illinois, from which many local settlers came.

During the pastorate of Father Stecher a parish picnic in 1883 netted a thousand dollars and with this a square frame rectory was built. Father Nicholas Schmitz occupied the new rectory from 1884 to 1890. During his charge over 150 families belonged to the parish. Parish records of 1889 show 48 baptisms, 10 weddings and 10 funerals for the year.

Father Joseph Goergen, pastor of the new parish at Adams, had charge of Johnsburg from 1890 to 1892. During the year 1891 the present brick church was erected. It was also about this time that the Rose Creek parish was organized. In fact the Johnsburg parish originally served the Catholic people of the present Rose Creek, Adams, LeRoy, Lyle, Meyer and Stacyville areas.

Mr. and Mrs. John Heimer, who donated 10 acres of land for parish grounds in 1859.



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Johnsburg, Illinois

In memory of the Jubilee celebration
June 24 to June 26, 1927

REV. WILLIAM WEBER, Pastor

1842-1927 **1902-1927**

History of the Parish

Taken From the New World, Edition, Volume 8, No. 33, Chicago, Saturday, April 14, 1900, and From the History of the Diocese of Rockford, Illinois, 1924, and From the Parish Records, and From Tombstones in the Cemetery

St. John the Baptist Parish, Johnsburg, McHenry P. O. McHenry County, Illinois

This is one of the oldest Catholic communities in the state of Illinois, exclusively German. There is a tradition that as early as 1838, Bishop Brutte of Vincennes, Ind., was in the neighborhood and baptized four children. The Germans, however, did not come until about three years later. The first German settlers at Johnsburg were Jacob Schmitt, Nicolaus Adams and John Bapt. Mueller, and they arrived at the place on August 2, 1841. In 1842 came Fred Schmitt, Nic Molitor, John P. Bell, Hy Thelen, John Schaefer, William Klein, Nic Hess, John Mueller, John Freund, M. Blamenser, Fred Laiken, Math Gerads, Stephen Baudes, Peter, Sabel, Nic Wagner, Matthew Wagner, John Friedrick, Franz Schmitt, John Adam Bloedt, Math Blek, Ph. Blek, Peter Blek, Matthew Gilles, Nic Meurer, Math Lay, Michael Wenkel. In 1843 they were followed by George Scheit, Michael Mueller, John P. Schmitt and Hy Brefeld, and in 1844 by Bernard and Hy Kennebeck, John Fester, John Kretzgen, B. Becker, Fr. Rothaermel, John Adam Mueller and John Schang. All these people came from the Eiffel, Coblenz and vicinity.

Fred Schmitt, the grandfather of Rev. John F. Schmitt, pastor of St. Joseph's church, Aurora, Ill., built the first chapel in 1843, the year after his arrival, as tradition has it, in fulfillment of a vow made on the ocean, while stormy weather was encountered upon the ocean trip. This chapel was built from logs, 12x17 and was used more or less for ten years. In 1853 a chapel of brick, 16x22 was erected instead, and was enlarged to a depth of 28 feet in 1878. This chapel is still standing, and the first Mass offered in it was by the Rev. Plathe.

But this chapel is not the Johnsburg church, being built also of logs, 20x28 feet in 1843 or 1844—the recollections of the old members not agreeing exactly as to the time. The first frame church was built in 1850 according to the testimony of old settlers and the diary of Bishop Van de Belde: "May 1, 1850--Visited new church (not finished, frame) of St. John the Baptist, in Miller settlement, three or four miles from McHenry town, (75x33 feet), well designed; made arrangements to have a frame church 50x35 feet, built at McHenry. A lot free, for the purpose was given by Mr. Brown, a Protestant." "Nov. 9. 1851--Blessed church of St. John the Baptist of the German congregation, near the village of McHenry; after last Mass exhortation in English; confirmed 63 persons." On June 3, 1852, the Bishop confirmed 33 persons in this church. The building of the second church was undertaken in 1868, during the Pastorate of the Rev. Clement Venn and the church was finished by the late Rev. H. Mehring, who was pastor here for twenty-four years. In 1900, Feb. 19, that same church was destroyed by fire and during the Rev. Mehring's time the present beautiful church of Johnsburg was erected. Up to 1852 the Johnsburg congregation was ministered to by visiting priests. The first priest visited the settlement in the fall of 1841, by accident. He was the Rev. Fr. Fisher, sent from Vincennes to minister to the needs of Catholics in Northern Illinois and Wisconsin. Returning from the latter

state, he had lost his way and was brought by Indians to Miller's Settlement, where he offered Mass next morning in Nick Frett's block house. The next priest who visited the settlement was the Rev. Plathe, who at intervals offered Mass in John Mueller's block house and once in Schmitt's chapel over the river. Another priest, Rev. Koch, remained with the people a fortnight.

The following is the record of resident pastors:

Rev. John Jacomet, 1852-1853.
Rev. M. Gipperich, 1853-1854.
Rev. F. P. Carolus, 1854-1858, September 23.
Rev. Antonius Jaeger, October-November 16, 1858.
Rev. Thomas Fraunhofer, December 1858-December 6, 1860.
Rev. J. P. Vogt, died December, 1861, buried in the cemetery.
Rev. Phil Porh, to June 1861.
Rev. W. Liermann, to March, 1865.
Rev. Edward Kermann, to March, 1866.
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Rev. William Gerst, to May, 1866.
Rev. F. Leander Maria, O. S. B., to August 1866.
Rev. Clemens Venn, to December, 1868.
Rev. H. M. Fegers, to December, 1883.
Rev. Otto Groenebaum, to July, 1884.
Rev. Henry Mehring, to March, 1908.
Rev. Stephen Wolfgarten, to September, 1912.
Rev. Edward Berthhold, to January, 1915.
Rev. William Weber, January, 1915.

The first baptism was recorded in September, 1841, when Nick Schmitt was baptized. The first marriage was solemnized, May 8, 1843. The contracting parties were John Freund, a widower and Miss Wagner and the ceremony was performed in Nick Frett's house. The first person buried at Johnsburg was John Peter Bell; the second burial was a child of the family of Gerards. The first school was built in 1850 and the teacher was Henry Thelen. The Indians were still numerous around here when the first settlers came. A few eastern protestant families had settled here already in 1837 to 1840. The first settlers moved here with ox teams from Chicago, bringing with them household goods and farming implements. Chicago, Waukegan, Kenosha were the nearest markets to sell the farm products, until 1856 when the railroad line through McHenry was built.

Funddatio Parochiae ad St. Joannem Bapt. Prope McHenry

Praesens parochia ad St. Joannem Bapt. prope McHenry, (McHenry Co., Ill.) fundata fuit anno Domini 1841. Ad hanc primi fundamentum jecerant Nicolaus Frett, Nicolaus Adams, Jacobus Schmitt et Joannus Bapt. Mueller, ex Prussia, tractus Coblenz orti.

Crescente numero habitantium anno sequenti 1842, aedificata fuit prima ecclesia in forma aediculi. Haec adeo fuit maxima, et anno 1850 numero fidelium sufficere requiverat, ita ut cultui commodius indulgerent novam construendi expostularet necessitas Reverendus Fortmann, parochus in Chicago qui tempore illo hanc parrochiam excurrendo admimstrabat novam ecclesiam aedificavit sub invocatione St. Joannis Baptistae. Parochus qui primus hic habitavit fuit Reverendus Jacomet, huic successit anno 1853 Reverendus Gipperich et 1854 Reverendus F. P. Carolus ex Alcatia in Gallia, qui aediculum in hon. B. M. V. extruixt et benedixit (1855) et hanc notam ad perpetuam rei memoriam successoribus reliquit.

F. P. Carolus, parochus.

Translation

The present St. John the Baptist parish was organized in 1841 by Nic Frett, Nic Adams, Jacob Schmitt and John Bapt. Mueller. As the number of families increased the first church was built the following year, 1842, in the form of a hall, and in 1850 the first frame church was built by Rev. Fortmann, who being pastor in Chicago, came here at intervals to

minister to the needs of the people. The first resident pastor was Rev. Jacomet, followed by Rev. Gipperich in 1853, and in 1854 came Rev. F. P. Carolus from Alsace, France.

The Parish School

The people of the parish, realizing the need of a Catholic education for their children, built a school in 1850. For years this school was conducted by lay teachers, but later was placed under the care of the School Sisters of St .Francis of St. Joseph's convent, Milwaukee, Wis. This school has continued to flourish and almost all the people of the parish have received their education within its venerable walls. The number of children enrolled at the present time is one hundred and thirty-six. The success attained by the system of teaching, which is according to the general standard requirements, is a tribute to the untiring zeal and efficiency of the good sisters in Chicago: Sr. M. Severina Superioress, Sr. M. Euphrosene, Sr. M. Gerlinda, Sr. M. Valens, Sr. M. Augustatis.

Vocations From the Parish

Rev. John Meiler, California.
Rev. J. C. Gieseler, Lena, Ill.
Rev. John F. Schmitt, Aurora, Ill.
Rev. Otto Wiest, Minnesota.
Rev. Nicholas Schmitt, Canute, Ind.
Rev. George Nell, Effingham, Ill.

Religious Vocations From the Parish

Rev. Mother Mathilda, Rochester, Minn.

Sr. M. Euphermia, Rochester, Minn.

Sr. M. Baptista, St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Appleton, Wis.

Sr. M. Johanna, House of Providence, Chicago, Ill.

Sr. M. Jerome, House of Providence, Chicago, Ill.

Sr. M. Vincent, St. Anthony's Hospital, St. Louis, Mo.

Sr. M. Theodosia, St. Anthony's Hospital, St. Louis, Mo.

Sr. M. Parshalis, St. Anthony's Hospital, St. Louis, Mo.

Sr. M. Adolphe, St. Catherine's Convent, Racine, Wis.

Sr. M. Gundesalva, St. Catherine's Convent, Racine, Wis.

Sr. M. Ildefons, St. Joseph's Convent, Milwaukee, Wis.

Sr. M. Arcadia, St. Joseph's Convent, Milwaukee, Wis.

Sr. M. Jeremiah, St. Joseph's Convent, Milwaukee, Wis.

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Parish Societies and Sodalities

St. John's C. O. F. No. 96.
St. Agatha's W. Foresters.
Holy Name Society.
Young Men's Sodality.
Young Ladies' Sodality.
Christian Mother's Soadlity.
Holy Childhood Sodality.
Sacred Heart, Poor Souls, and Rosary Confraternity.

Statistics

To this parish belong at present 140 families and aiso a small floating population.

The trustees are:
Mr. Joseph Stilling.
Mr. William Oeffling.

4. St. John The Baptist Cemetery

The village of Johnsburg where this cemetery is located was settled by German Catholics. In keeping with their religious traditions they quickly established a church here. The first church building was, naturally enough for the times, a small log cabin. However, as new settlers poured into the area it was quickly replaced by a frame church and then an even larger stone or brick house of worship noted primarily for being the most expensive church building in the township at that time. When the third structure burned down in 1900, church members wasted no time in erecting a replacement. And it is indeed a noteworthy replacement. The first-time visitor driving through the quiet residential streets of this small suburban community is unprepared for the sudden appearance over the hilltop road of a massive brick building with spires shooting skyward. Here is a church that could fit in well with the cathedrals of any major city. The churchyard cemetery nestled at its side seems deceptively tiny and unimportant by comparison. In truth, here lies the history of Johnsburg.

The first arrivals in 1841 were Nicolaus Frett, Jacob Schmitt, and Nicolaus Adams, with Johann Mueller following soon after. Adams wrote glowing letters back to Germany encouraging more immigrants. It was on part of the land Jacob Schmitt purchased from the United States Government in 1841 that the church and cemetery were built. One of the earliest burials was probably Adams' wife Susannah who died in 1843. All the founding fathers were buried here as was virtually everyone within this small community. Johann Mueller was one of the few to be honored by a priest's written comment on the occasion of his death. When his burial was recorded, it was noted that he was a "very virtuous man" who would "no doubt go straight to heaven." High praise indeed from a man of the cloth.

Like many other ethnic early settlers, residents here were an insular group. To most of the English-speaking settlers Johnsburg must have seemed virtually a foreign country. The *1885 History of McHenry County, Illinois* dismissed the town as "seldom patronized by Americans". As a result, few of their citizens were memorialized in the historical write-ups of the day. Such oversights make modern-day researchers all the more thankful for the voluminous records the church has managed to preserve along with the lesser number of original gravestones that survived.

The remaining cemetery records which date back to the 1850s provide some interesting lessons on the pitfalls of genealogical research as well as the importance of original gravestones. Many of the people buried here not only shared the same last name but also had the same first name. Without original gravestones which often listed family relationships, it is difficult to identify everyone correctly. Add to that problem the habit of naming new babies after children who died and the confusion is compounded. Mathias and Maria Mueller had two children named Johann, both of whom died before the age of one year. Frank and Elizabeth Schmitt had two sons named Joseph who died as infants. Even worse, one of those sons was born on exactly the same day as another Joseph Schmitt whose parents were Stephan and Maria. One Joseph died at 5 months and the other at 10 months, but without a gravestone to provide further information we have no way of knowing which is which. The large number of burials in unknown and unmarked locations tells us that many other old cemeteries with skimpier records undoubtedly contain an equally large number of people whose names are lost to us forever.

The newer part of the cemetery has the feel of a woodland refuge with its tree-shaded expanse crowned by a chapel and small pond at the far north end. The stations of the cross and chapel in this section were added by Reverend Anthony Vollman. The individual-size lots are arranged in rows that are easy to follow despite the fact that they angle off in different directions in the different sections. The old part of the cemetery is a definite contrast - fully sunlit with many old stones clamoring for attention. The grotto, a reproduction of the one in Lourdes, France, was built by Reverend William Weber. The crucifixion statue was added in 1932. This area of the cemetery can be quite confusing. It was originally laid out in large lots well suited to the prolific German Catholic families who lived here. However, over the years many of the original stones disappeared and others shifted their position. New stones were lined up to form an appearance of rows, obliterating any trace of the original lot lines. In recent years the area has been replatted into lettered sections with rows of individual lots - much like the new part. However,

this has not worked too well since the original burials were not made in neat rows. Therefore, the cemetery lot numbers in this area must be considered only as a general guide to the location of a grave. Most visitors will find it easiest to simply follow the appropriate row with this listing in hand until they locate the gravesite of interest.

The most notable grave markers here are the huge iron crosses used for some of the earlier burials and rarely seen in other parts of the county. Certainly the most unusual monument in the cemetery is the gravestone memorial for aborted babies which bears inscriptions dedicated to specific embryonic losses.

There are certain idiosyncrasies about the cemetery layout that need to be explained. When rows W, X and Y angle off into different blocks, the course of these rows is shown on the accompanying map by dotted lines. Rows X and Y both end about a quarter of the way into Section C. However, row Y picks up again in the new part of the cemetery as shown on the map. Visitors need to be very cautious when exploring rows Z through DD as they pass from Section F to Section G. At about lot 3 in Section G, headstones begin to be placed at the east end of the grave rather than the west end as in Section F. By examining the map one can see the lots in Sections F and G do not align exactly. Because of this and the change in headstone position, graves may appear to belong in the next row east. The listing here follows the actual grave rows. It should be noted that as of this writing no burials have been made in Section H or north of lot 67. At one time the lettered sections were subdivided into lettered sub-sections. However, these sub-sections are used only occasionally in the cemetery records and, since graves can easily be located by section/block/lot numbers, they are not used here.

St. John the Baptist Cemetery

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FF314	unk	Miller, Catharina d.7/16/1870 5y #
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FF316	unk	Miller, Franz of Jnsbg. d.9/28/1931 80y #
FF317	unk	Miller, Gregory s/o Annetta d.4/2/1988 59y buried at sea #
FF318	unk	Miller, Nicolaus h/o Anna d.4/15/1859 82y #
FF319	unk	Molitor, Nicolas d.2/1/1880 72y #
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FF321	unk	Mueller, Anna d/o Johann & Susanna Schmitt 3/18/1863-6/27/70 7y #
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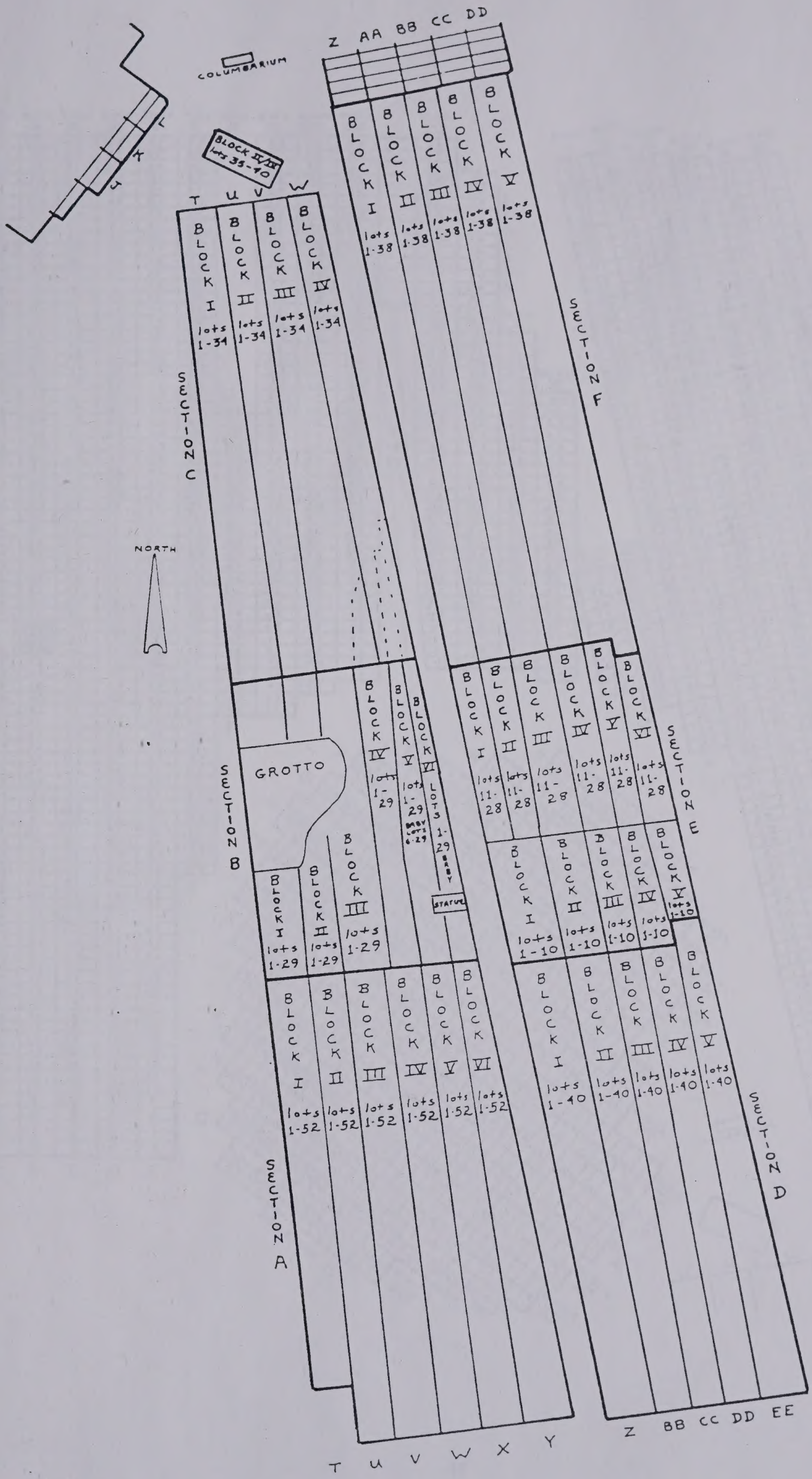
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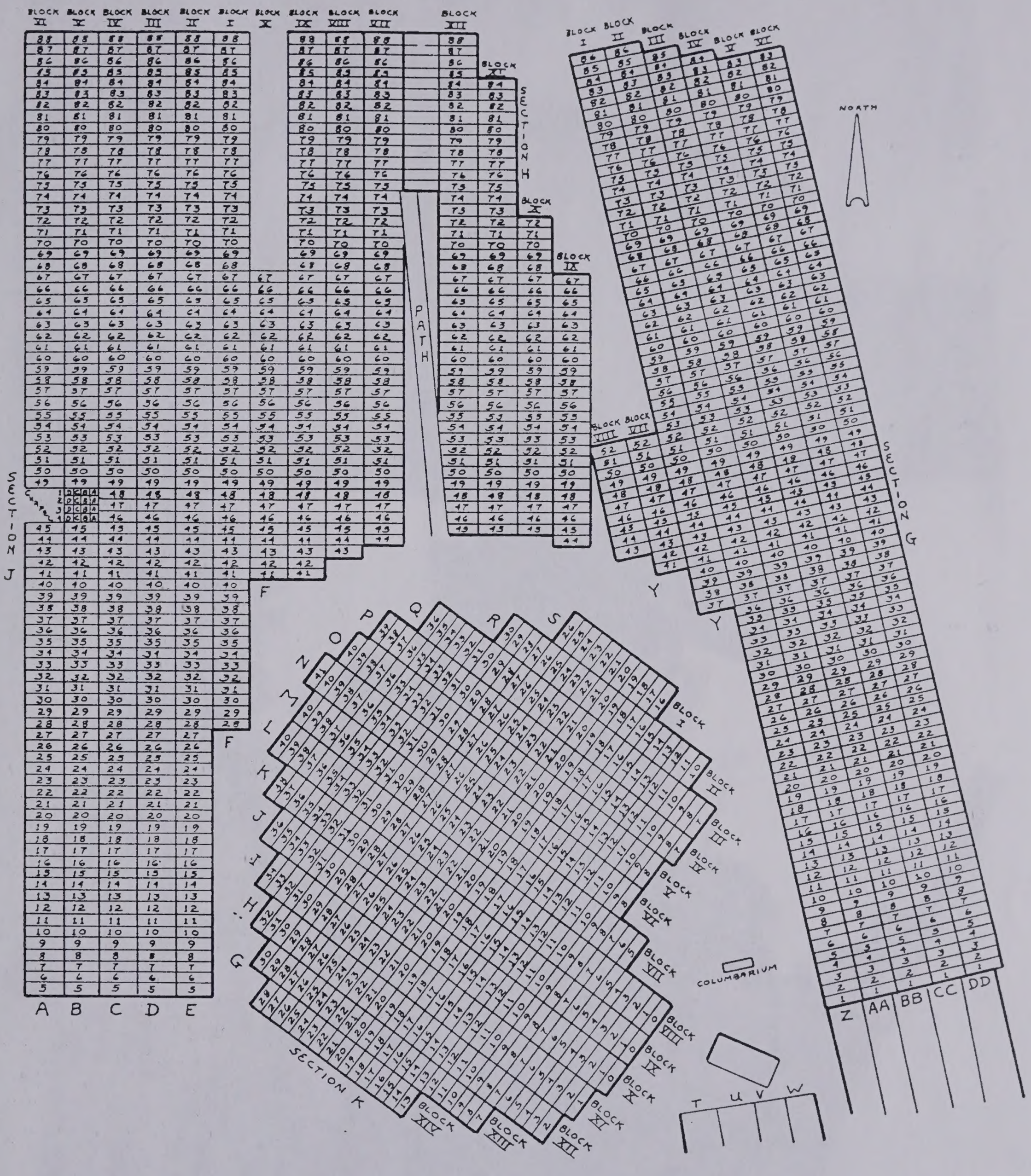

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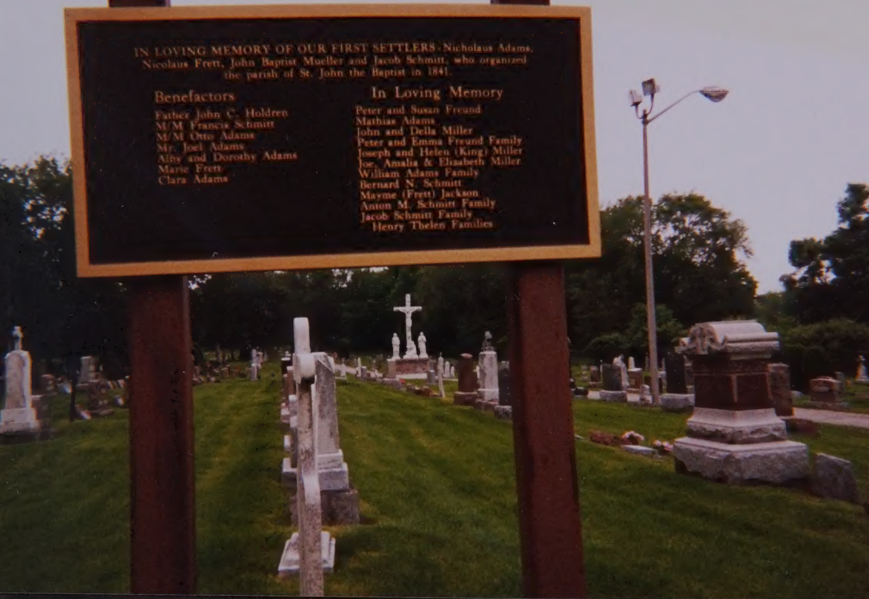

IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR FIRST SETTLERS - Nicholaus Adams, Nicolaus Frett, John Baptist Mueller and Jacob Schmitt, who organized the parish of St. John the Baptist in 1841.

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M/M Otto Adams
Mr. Joel Adams
Alby and Dorothy Adams
Marie Frett
Clara Adams

In Loving Memory

Peter and Susan Freund
Mathias Adams
John and Della Miller
Peter and Emma Freund Family
Joseph and Helen (King) Miller
Joe, Amalia & Elizabeth Miller
William Adams Family
Bernard N. Schmitt
Mayme (Frett) Jackson
Anton M. Schmitt Family
Jacob Schmitt Family
Henry Thelen Families

LIZZIE
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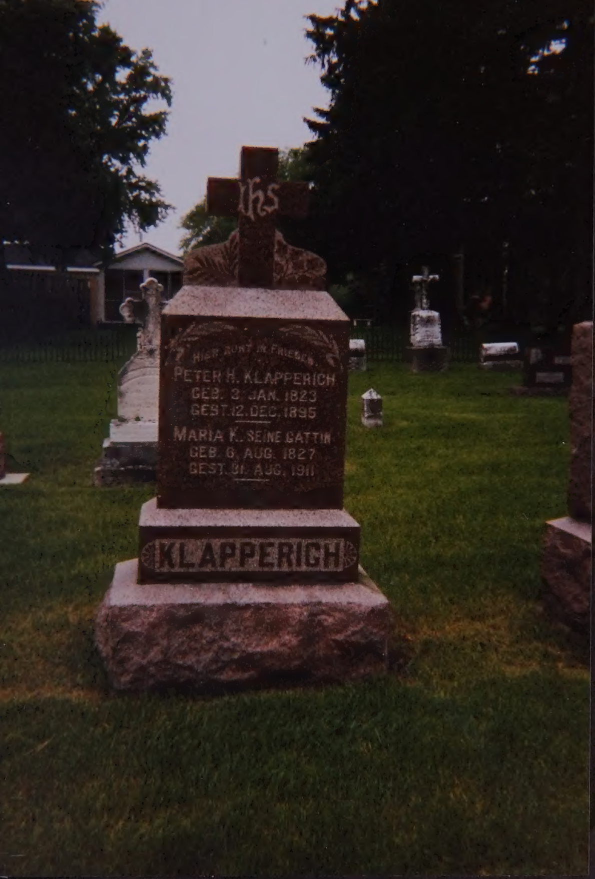
MUELLER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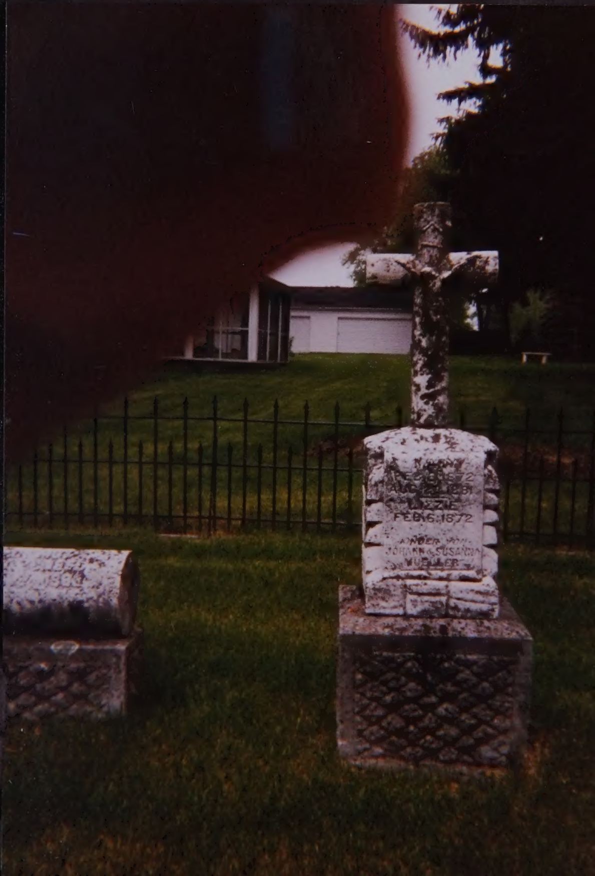
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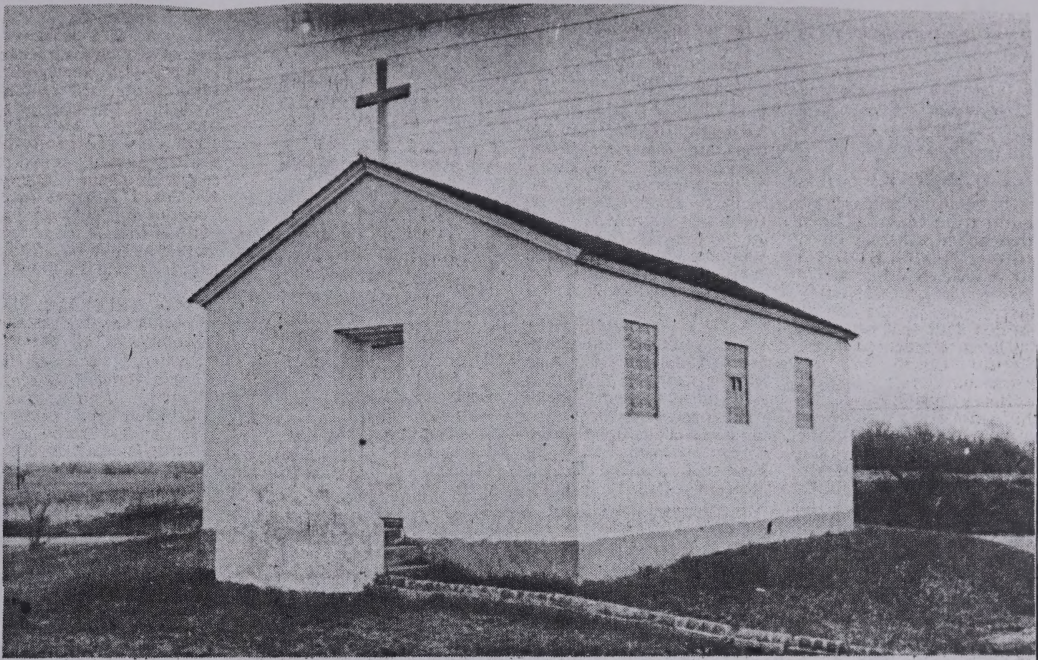

Chapel Hill Chapel

Chapel Hill Rd. - McHenry, Ill.

LANDMARK

As you drive down Wilmot road to Ringwood road, you may notice a tiny white church. It stands alone surrounded by a cornfield. Have you ever wondered why it's there or how it happens to be there?

In 1853 a man by the name of Fred Schmidt, one of the many German immigrants who chose to settle in the community we now know as Johnsburg, built this tiny white church.

During his long voyage from the old country to the United States he had gone through a terrible storm on the ocean. Mr. Schmidt made a promise to the Amighty that if he was spared he would erect a church. He was spared and the little church was built in 1853. In 1956 it was remodeled and painted.

Mr. Schmidt is long since gone, but the little church still stands. A monument and memorial of those who settled here in 1853.

BIRTHDAYS

This week's birthday

Mark 100th Year For Chapel

Memories of yesterday and today will be preserved for future generations as the result of a noteworthy commemoration last Sunday.

The 100th anniversary of the Miller chapel at the corner of Ringwood and Wilmot roads was marked by a family gathering in the historic structure. They came from the surrounding area, and they also came from as far as Florida and Texas--seventy-five in all.

The gathering place was the Chain O'Lakes Evangelical church, location of the old Peter F. Freund farm, north of the chapel. From there, the walk started to the chapel, where Father Leo Bartel, pastor of St. John the Baptist Catholic church, Johnsburg, officiated at a 3 o'clock Mass. Later, a pot-luck supper was served at St. Peter's church, Spring Grove, where picture taking and reminiscing occupied the large gathering for several hours.

It was John Miller who with his mother was responsible for the erection of the chapel in 1878 in fulfillment of a promise made earlier by her.

When John's father, Peter Miller, died in 1863, he left his wife, Mary (Nett), with six small children. One day while she and her oldest son, John, then 10, were cutting hay with a hand scythe on their farm a mile north of Johnsburg, she made a promise to the Blessed Mother to build a chapel if she could raise her family "in the fear and love of God".

Later, when John married, he purchased the farm on which the chapel was later built. He immediately offered his mother the land for the fulfillment of her promise and the structure was built 100 years ago.

When John's wife, Christina, died in 1896, at the age of 34, just after their youngest son, Nick, was born, he was left with eight children to raise. Christina's parents were Peter and Susan Hess Freund, original settlers of Johnsburg.

In the early days, Johnsburg was known as the Miller settlement, with German Catholic families migrating from their native land to make a home in the West.

The chapel was used as a pilgrimage place where people went in groups to pray for good crops, favorable weather and the sick and needy. It was not uncommon even fifty years ago to see a procession gather at Johnsburg and walk to the little chapel, where Mass would be read.

Many private petitions are said to have been placed at the feet of the Blessed Virgin. Later, thank-you notes of gratitude have been found in the same location.

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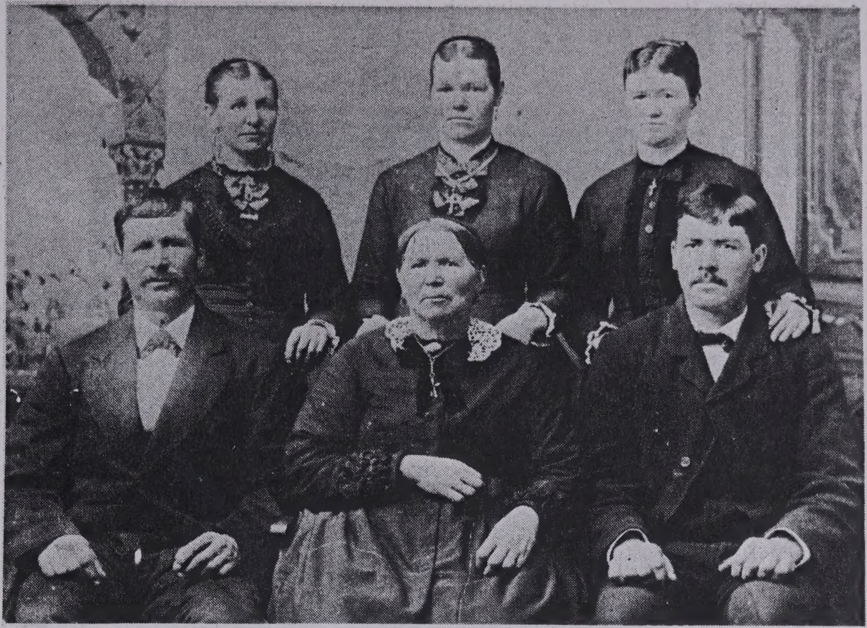
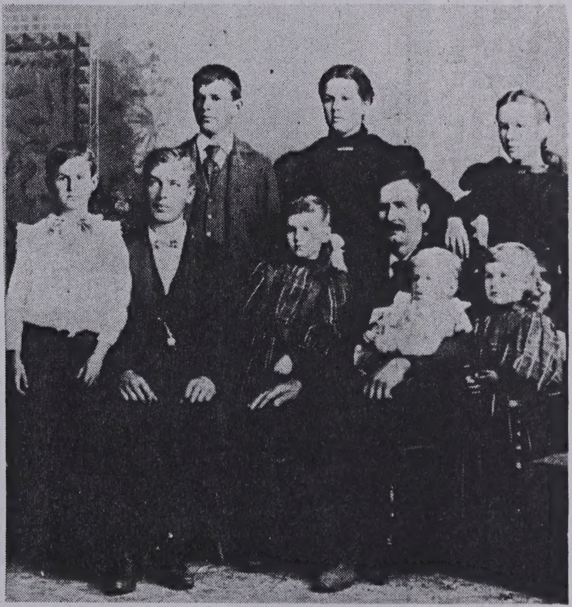
Mark 100th Year For Chapel



Mary Nett Miller, who promised after the death of her husband to build a chapel if she could raise her family "in the fear and love of God", is shown in center of front row. At left, front row, is John Miller, her oldest son, and at right, Matt Miller. In back are three daughters, Mary, who married Stephen Freund; Katherine, who married Joe Justen; and Anna, who married John Freund.



John Miller was left with this large family in 1896 when his wife, Christina, died after the birth of their youngest son, Nick. From left, front row, are Joseph, who married Elizabeth Stilling; Jacob, who married Emma Weber; Lena, who married Joseph King; the father, John, holding Nick, who married Isabel Tonyan; and Christina (Dena) who married Steven May. In back row are John, who married Della Niesen; Mary, who married Math smith; and Susan, who married Peter F. Freund.

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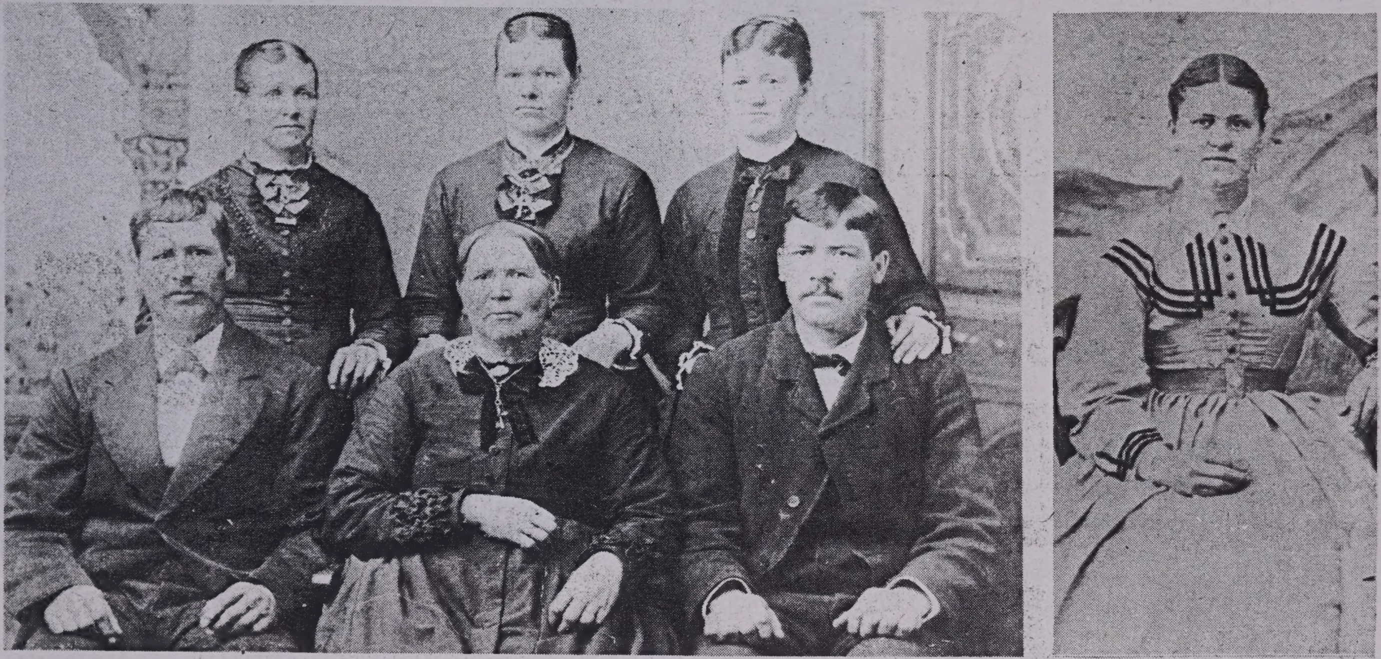
104-Year Chapel Honors Family



Last Sunday, Oct. 17, plaquing of the historic Muller chapel on Wilmot road took place by the McHenry County Historical society. The 104-year-old chapel was erected by Maria Nett Muller, shown front center, in memory of her husband, Peter Muller, as an act of thanksgiving. At left is her son, John, who married Anna Kristina Freund, and at right, Mathias, who married Elizabeth Schmitt. In back, from left, are Catherina, who married Peter Joseph Justen; Maria, who married Stephen J. Freund; and Anna. At right, in single picture is Anna Marie, called Emma, who married John F. Freund and died at the age of 29 years. There were two other family members, Wilhelm, twin brother of Mathias, who died at the age of one year, and Wilhelm, who died at 7 years.

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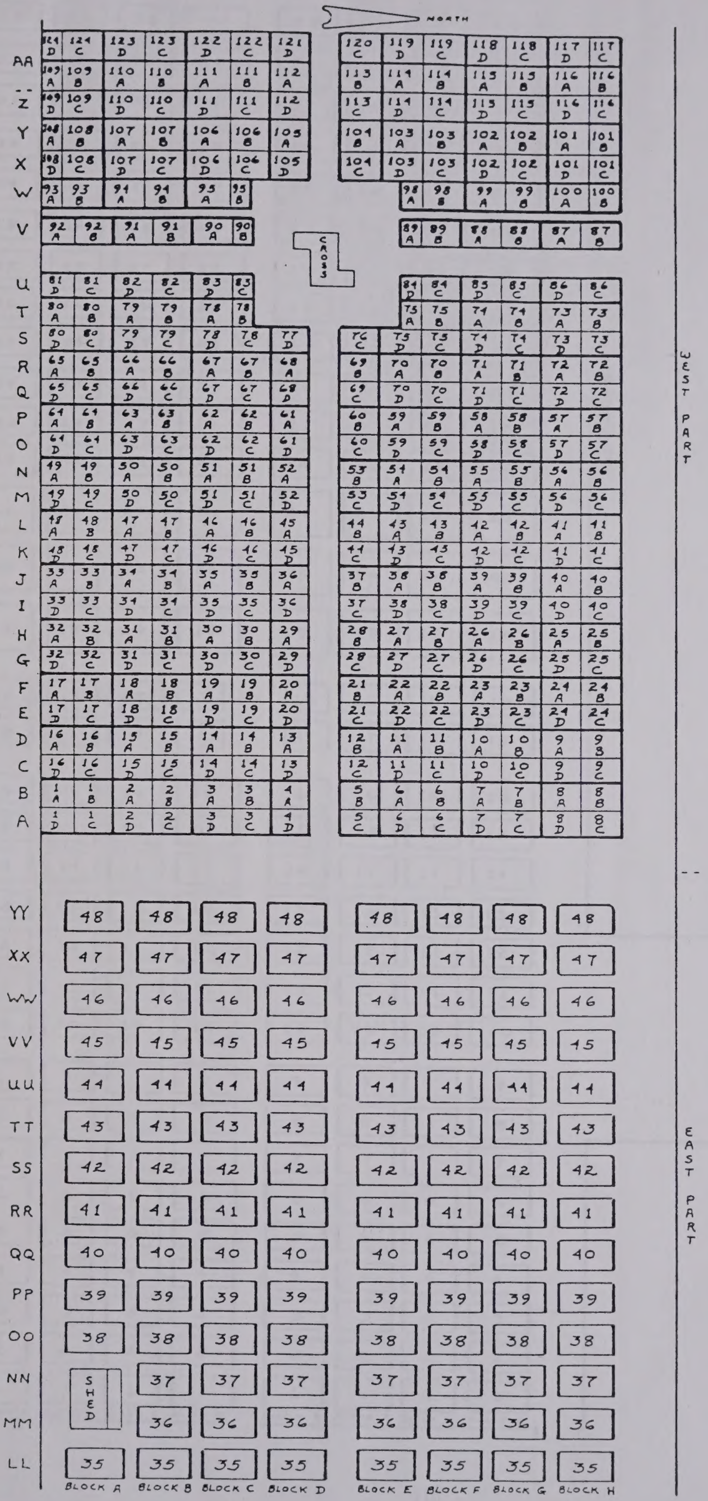

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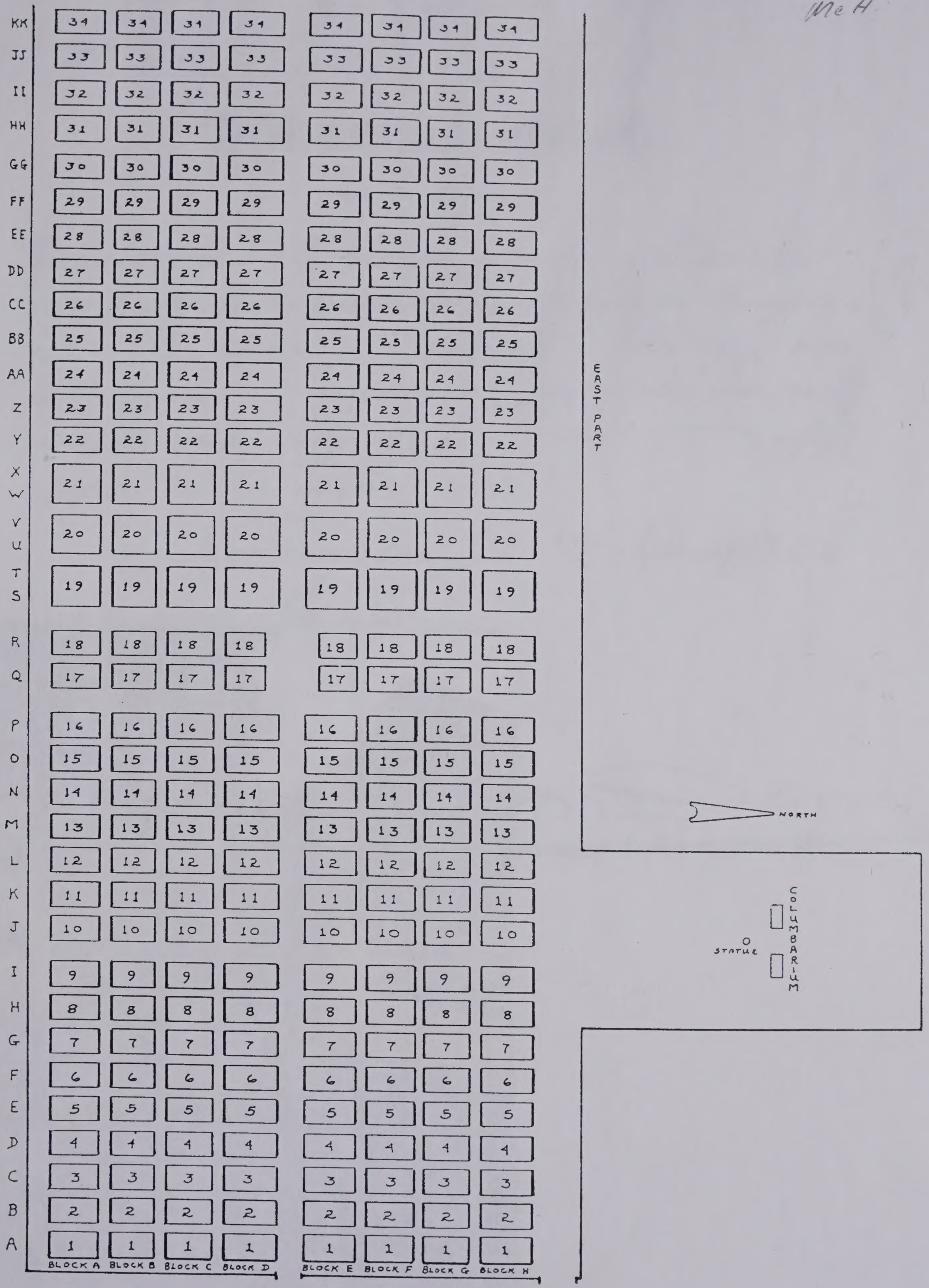
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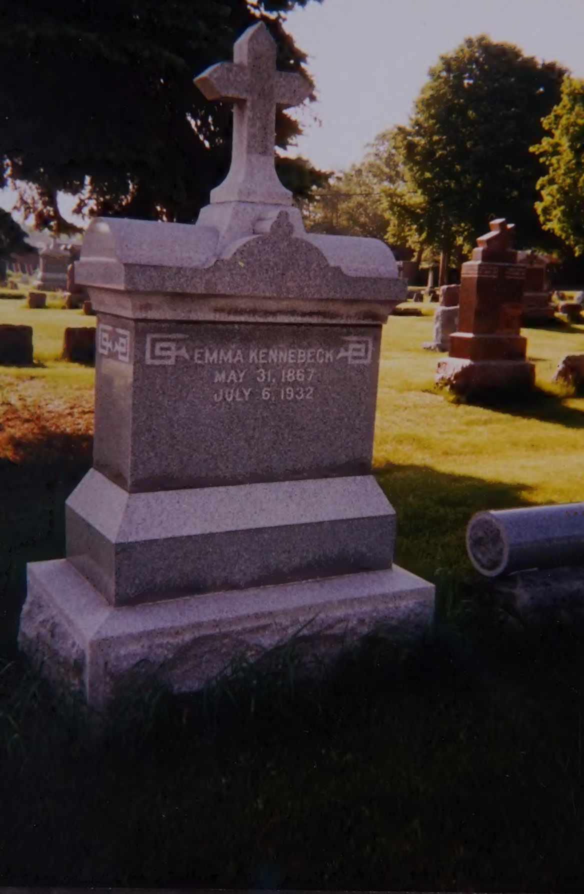
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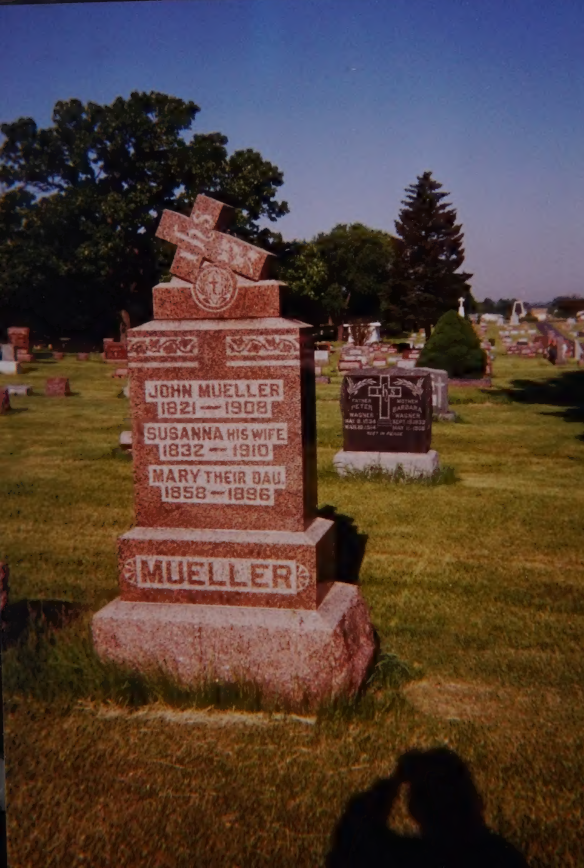
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SUSANNA HIS WIFE
1832 — 1910
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1858 — 1896
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FATHER
PETER
WAGNER
MOTHER
BARBARA
WAGNER
REST IN PEACE

Führungs-Atteſt.

Vorzeiger dieſes, der Musketier Johann Müller von der 8ten Kompagnie des Königlichen 29ten Infanterie-Regiments, aus Langenfeld im Kreiſe Adenau des Regierungsbezirks Coblenz welcher am 10ten Juni 1821 geboren, und 2 Jahr — Monat gedient, hat ſich während ſeiner Dienſtzeit ſehr gut geführt und keine Strafen erlitten.

Coblenz, den 30ten September 1844.

Für den abwesenden Regiments
Commandeur

Oberstlieutenant und Commandeur
Füsilier- Bataillons

Hauptmann und Compagnie-Chef

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Nach der Ankunft in dem von ihm gewählten Aufenthaltsorte hat ſich derſelbe ſofort bei dem Feldwebel des Landwehrbezirks, unter Vorzeigung dieſes Urlauber Paſſes zu melden, auch bei etwaigen Aufenthaltsveränderungen, ſo wie bei vorkommenden Reiſen, die Meldung jedesmal zu wiederholen, es mag der Bezirk verlaſſen werden oder nicht, wo erſteren Falles dieſe Meldung ſowohl bei dem Feldwebel des zu verlaſſenden Bezirks, als bei dem Feldwebel des Bezirks, in welchem der neue Aufenthalt belegen iſt, geſchehen muß.

Der Müller hat bei den Schießübungen bisher die

An Kleidungsſtücke hat derſelbe beim Abgange erhalten:

1 Montirung
1 leinene Hose
1 Mütze
1 Halsbinde

Mit Verpflegung iſt derſelbe verſehen bis in den Kreis Adenau für 2 Marſchtage à 3 Sgr. 7 Pf. mit — Thlr. 7 Sgr. 4 Pf.

Bei Wiedereinberufung zum Dienſte iſt dieſer Paß wieder einzubringen und bei der Compagnie abzugeben.

Coblenz den 30ten September 1844.

Für den beurlaubten Regiments
Commandeur

v. Ottegraven
Major und Bataillons
Commandeur.

Oberstlieutenant u. Commandeur
des
Füsilier Bataillons

Angemeldet.
Adenau den 3. October 1844.
Bierbaum
Feldwebel

ANOTHER PIONEER GONE

John Mueller answers to Master's call.

Born at Langenfeld, Kreis, Adnon, Reg. Bez, Coblenz, Prussia on June 10, 1821 - came here in 1847.

One by one our pioneers are answering to their last earthly roll call, and at four O'clock on Tuesday morning, January 21, John Mueller answered to his Master's voice in a quiet and peaceful manner, having lived to the grand old age of 86 years, 7 months and 10 days.
Mr. Mueller had been declining in health for some years, his age bearing down upon him until be began to grow weaker daily until the end came.
He was born at Langenfeld, Kreis Adnon, Reg. Bez, Coblenz, Prussia, on June 10, 1821. Here he grew to manhood and at the age of 21, as is the custom in Prussia, he joined the army, entering the Twenty-ninth regiment infantry, Coblenz. He served his three years with great credit to himself as well as to his country, and on Oct. 1, 1844 was honorably discharged.
Three years after leaving the army he, with his parents and family, came to America, settling at Johnsburgh, Ill., where the family, thru hard and persistent labors, succeeded in making a livelihodd, altho experiencing the many difficulties and sufferings as were only too common in those early days.
Two years after his arrival at Johnsburgh he was united in marriage to Miss Susanna Schmitt. Two years after his marriage he purchased the farm now owned by Nick F. Freund, located near Johnsburgh. Here he continued to reside up to the time of moving to this village, some eleven years ago. The union was blessed with seventeen children, ten of which have already crossed to the home of happiness and bliss, while the balance, with the dear old mother, are left to share the loss of a devoted and kind husband and father. The living children are as follows: William, Peter H. and Mrs. Josephine Mayer of Stacyville, Iowa; Mrs. Mary Katherine Lenzen of Lake County; John W. who resides in Burton township; Mrs. Emma Mary Kennebeck and Miss Lizzie Mueller of this place.
The deceased was a man of a quiet but sympathetic nature, was a true Roman Catholic and a highly respected citizen. In all dealings, no matter of what nature they may have been, his motto, which he ever fulfilled, was honesty and justice. Being also of a sympathetic

The golden wedding bit mentioned he was born at Langenfeldt, Germany.

Susanna Schmidt Mueller

AN EARLY SETTLER DEAD

Mrs. Susanna Mueller is dead at ripe old age.

Came here from Germany in the early fortied and was among the first three families to settle at Johnsburgh.

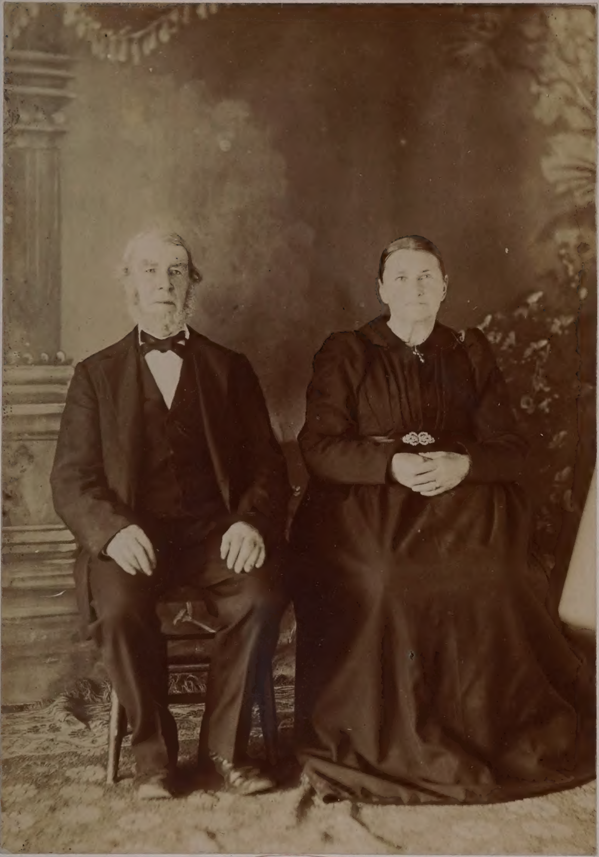
Just about an hour before the golden sunbeams were kissing the tree tops, bidding the sleepy world to awake and gird itself for a new and glorious day, the soul of one of McHenry's oldest as well as earliest settlers passed thru the golden gates to her heavenly reward on Wednesday morning Oct. 19, 1910, - the soul of Mrs. John Mueller.

The end came at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John H. Kennebeck, where she had been making her home for some time, death coming thru a general breakdown, which , on account of her advanced age, she was unable to withstand.

The subject of this sketch was born at Munk, Grais Maizen, R. G. Koblenz, Germany September 27, 1832. She obtained but very little schooling, as she was but nine years of age when her parents and the balance of the family sailed the ocean of waters to the new world, America. Her parents were Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Schmitt. On the family's arrival in America they came direct to a point where Johnsburgh now stands, the Schmitt family being one of three then residing at that point, the other two families being those of Nicklous Adams and Nicklous Frett. With but three white families in that section of the country one can easily imagine existing conditions at that time. However being of that sturdy, courageous stock, she, with the balance of the white settlers, set out to assist in making a livelihood.

The Schmitt homestead, a log cabin, stood on the site, or near to it, now occupied by the handsome Catholic church at Johnsburgh.

Miss Susanna Schmitt was united in marriage to Mr. John Mueller (deceased) in the year of 1849. A few years after her marriage her husband purchased the farm now owned by Nick F. Freund, near Johnsburgh, on which she continued to reside until about twelve years ago, when, with her husband and the children that were at home at the time, she moved to McHenry, which place was her place of abode up to the time of her death. The union was blessed with sixteen children, nine of whom with the husband preceded the deceased to the great beyond, while seven are living to share the sorrow her demise has brought them. The living children are as follows: William, Peter H. and Mrs Josephine Mayer of Stacyville, Ia.; Mrs. Mary K. Lenzen of Fremont, Ill.; John W. Mueller of Spring Grove, Ill.; Mrs. John H. Kennebeck and Miss Elizabeth Mueller of this place. Besides the children she leaves forty-two grandchildren and twenty-three great-grandchildren.



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John Mueller

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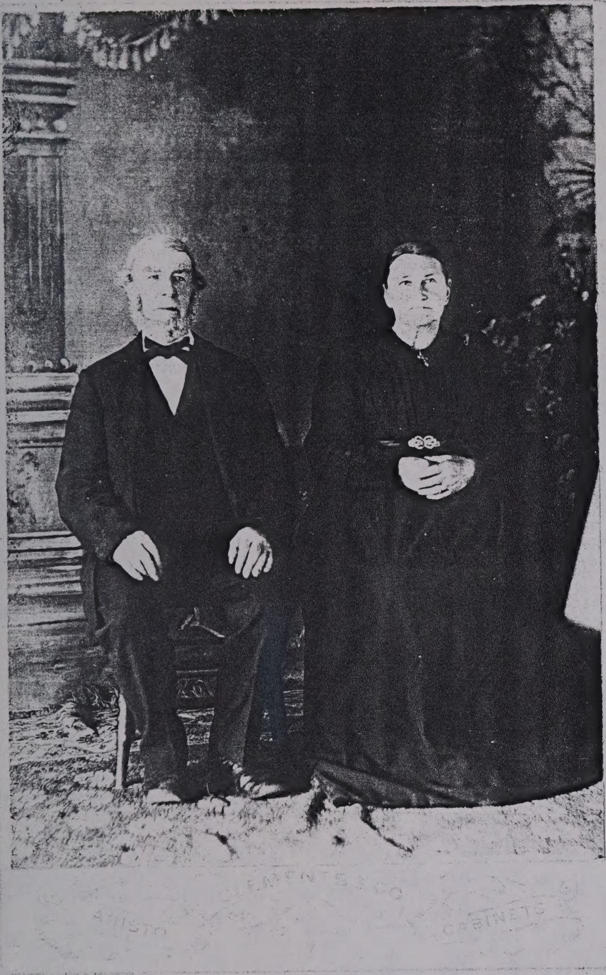
Schmitt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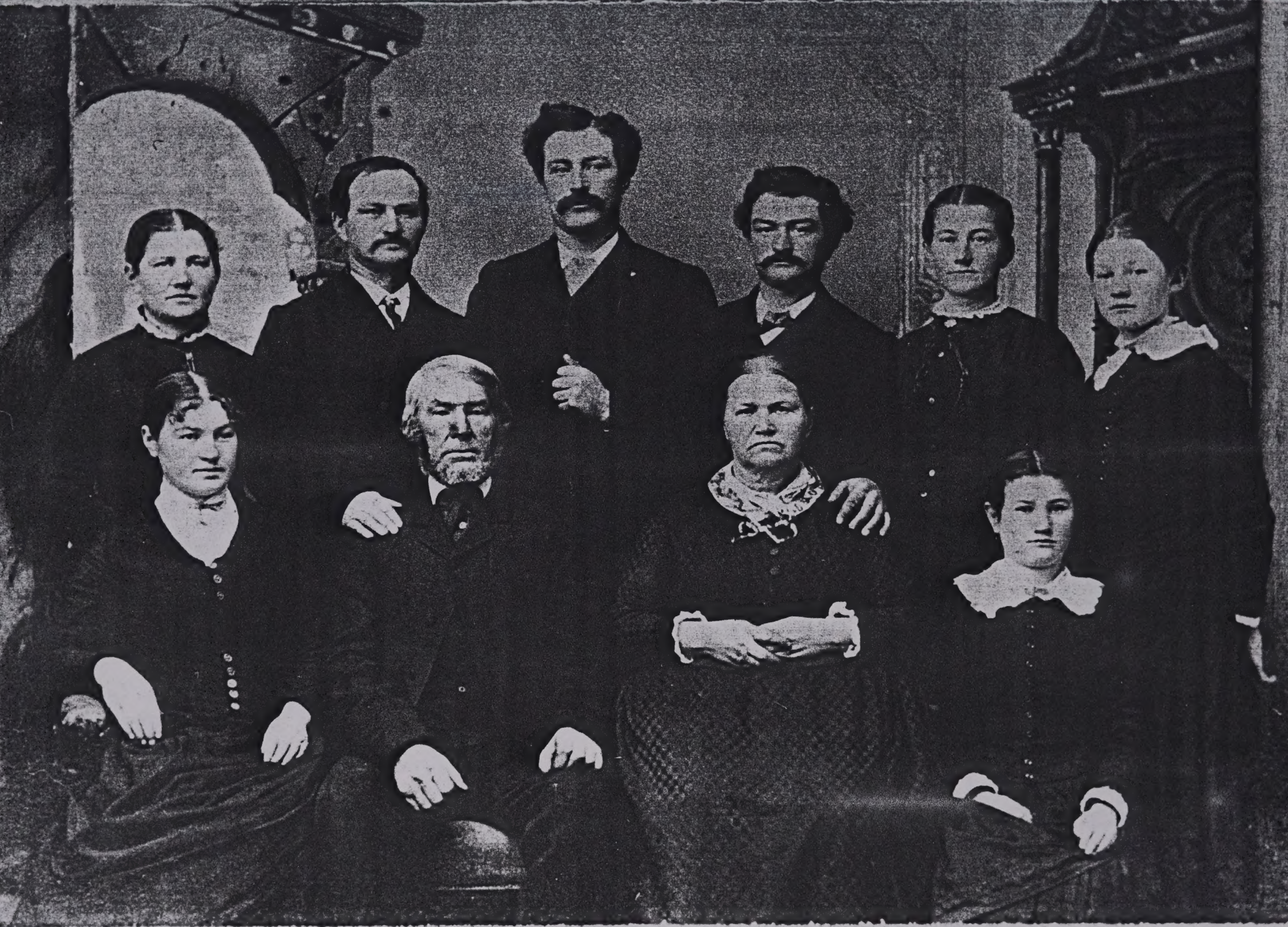
Johann + Suzanna
Golden Wedding 17 May 1899



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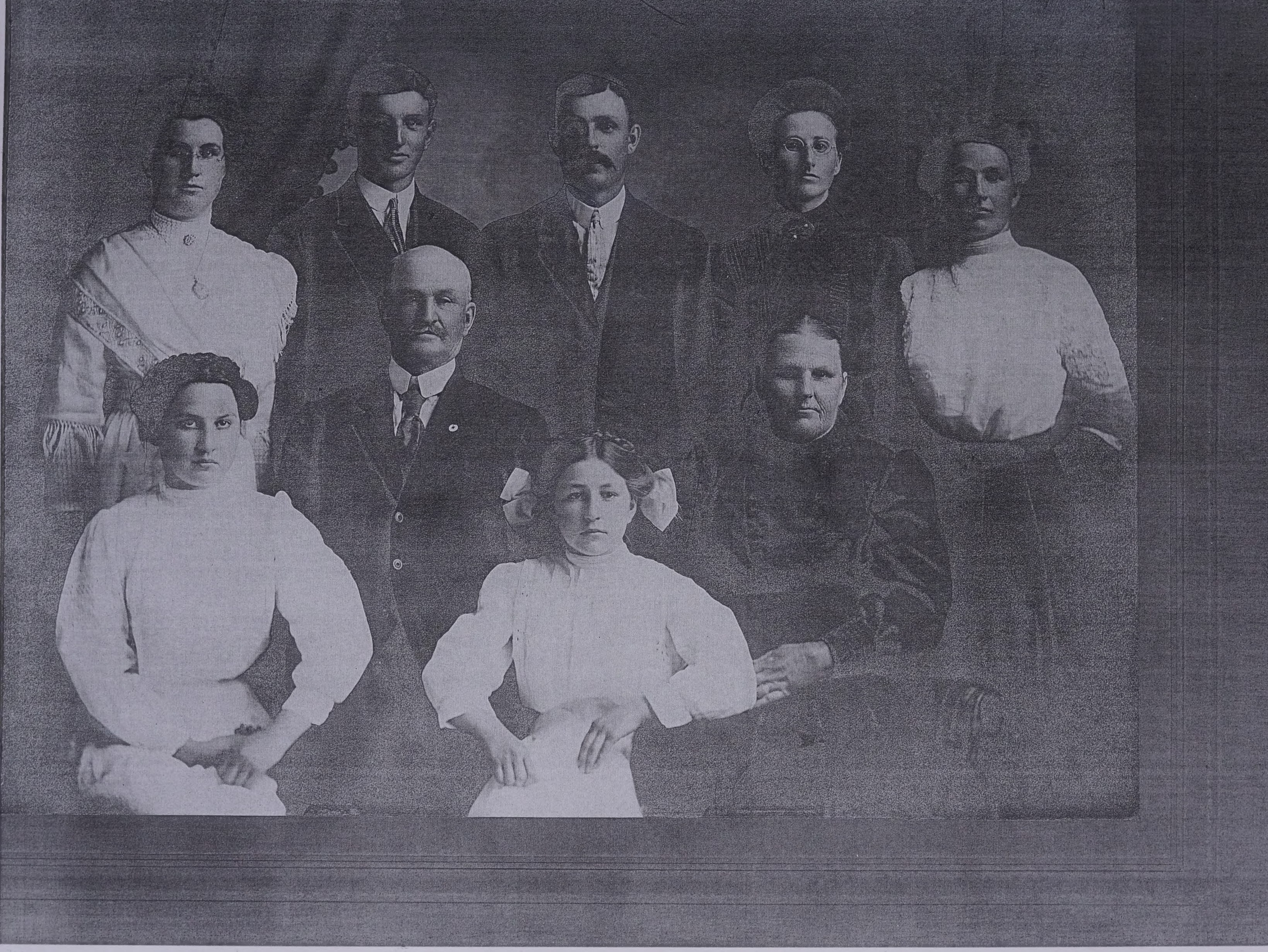


MUELLER FAMILY Photo

Back row, left to right

- Christina (Stephen Michael Klapperich)
- John (Elizabeth Thome)
- Nickalas (Rachel Craig Goergen)
- Josephine (Mathias Klapperich)
- Mary (Joseph Blake)

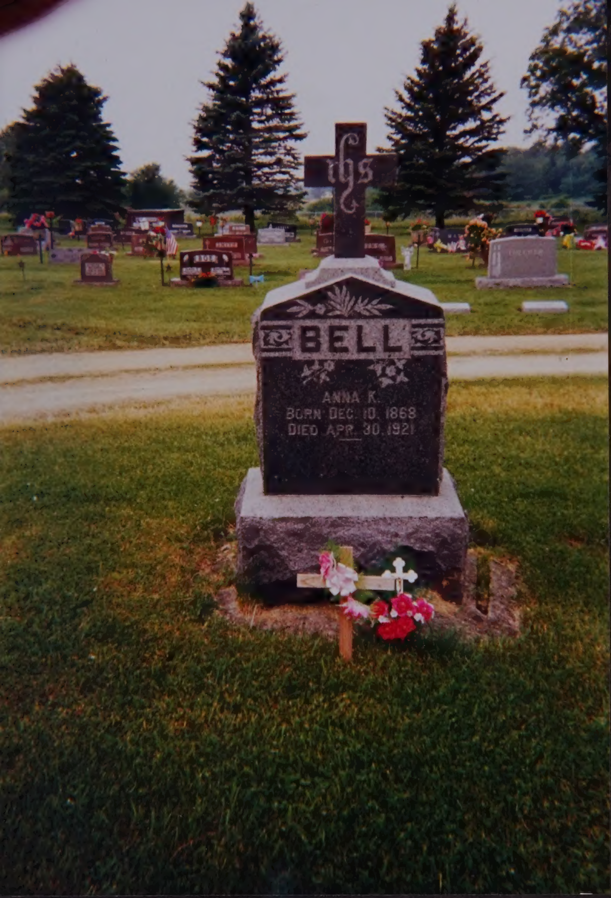
Front row, left to right

- Elizabeth (Joseph Schaefer)
- Wilhelm Mueller (Anna Marie Huemann)
- Helen (Joseph Michels)
- Anna Marie (Wilhelm Mueller)

Not included:

- Anna (1879-1897)
- Wilhelm (1887-1892)
- Christina (1889-1892)
- Margareta (1895-1897)

Helen, the youngest, was born in 1900 to give you a way to estimate when the photo was taken.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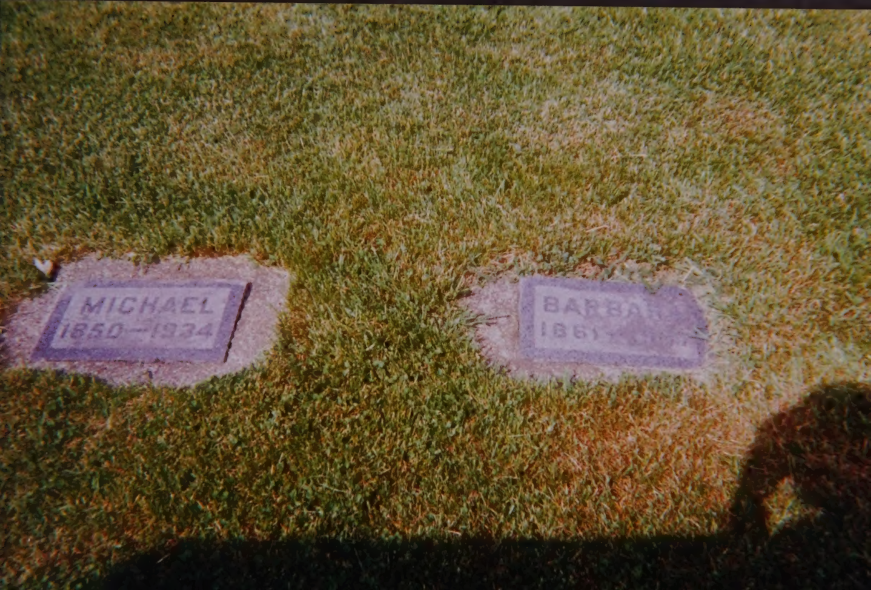
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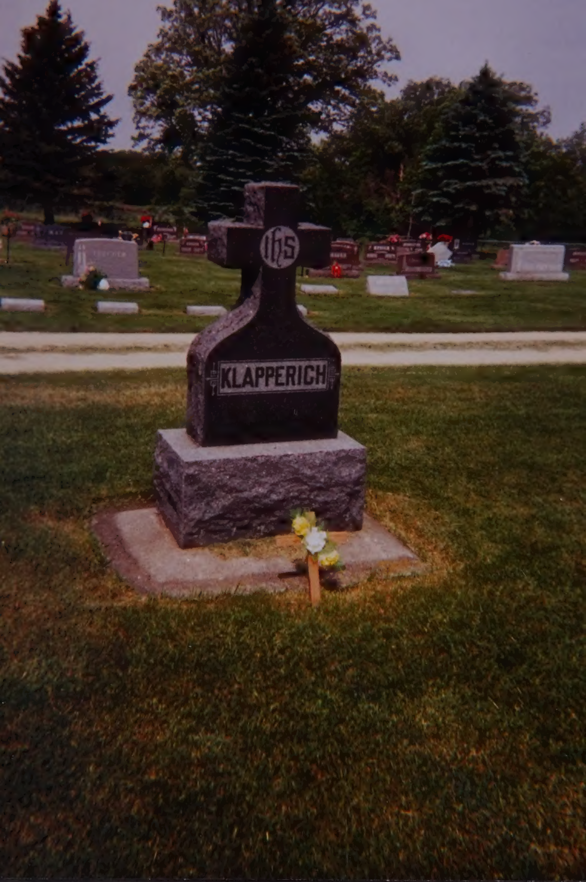
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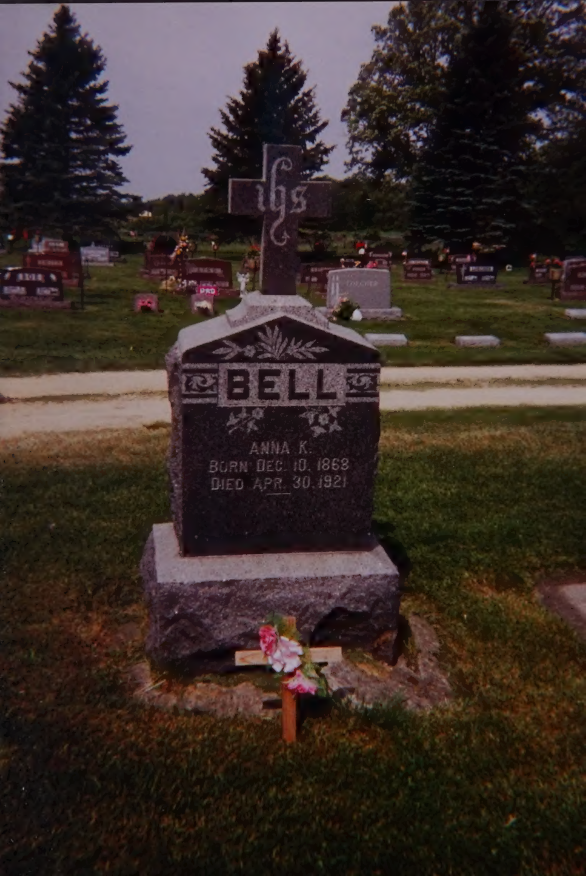
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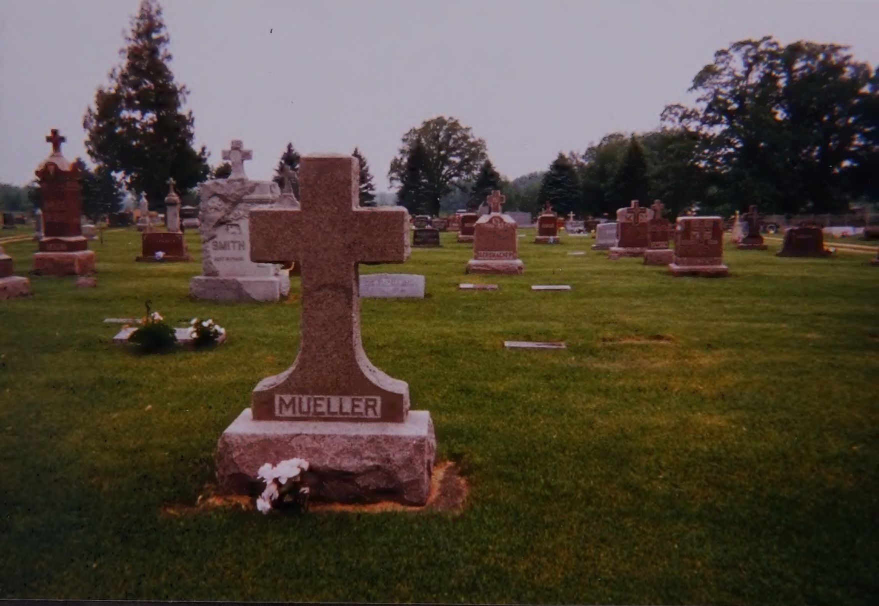
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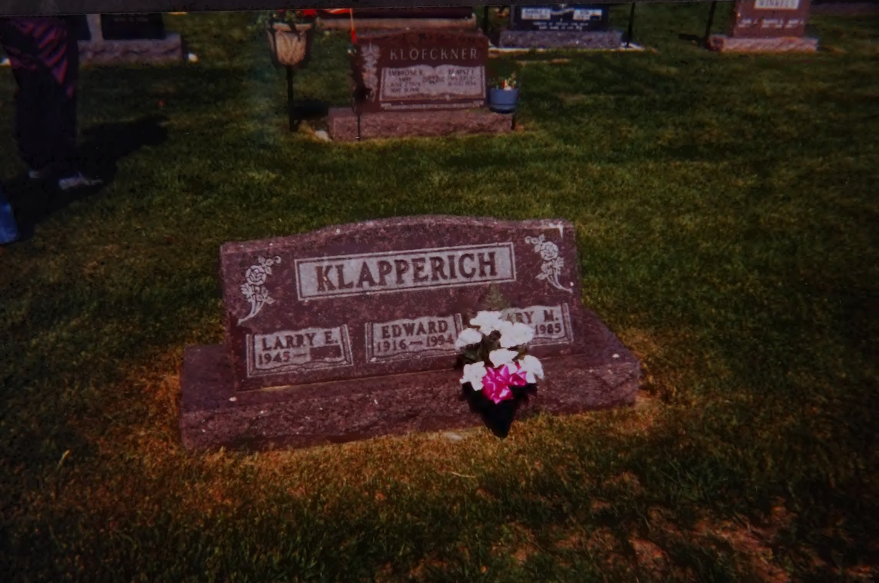
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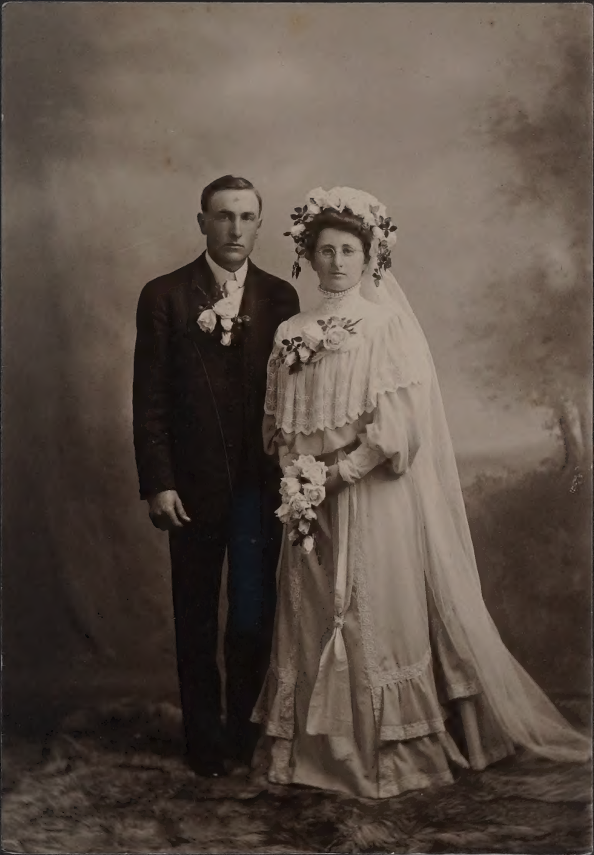


Douglas
OSAGE, IA.

(Mueller)
Math & Josphine Klapperich
1905

Joe Anton Matt Stephen John

Clara Grandpa Margaret Grandma

Lena Lizzy Mary

KLAPPERICH FAMILY photo

Back row, left to right
- Joseph (Katherine Kloeckner)
- Anton (Mary Gerhartz)
- Matthias (Josephine Mueller)
- Stephen (Christina Mueller)
- John (Mary Theobald)

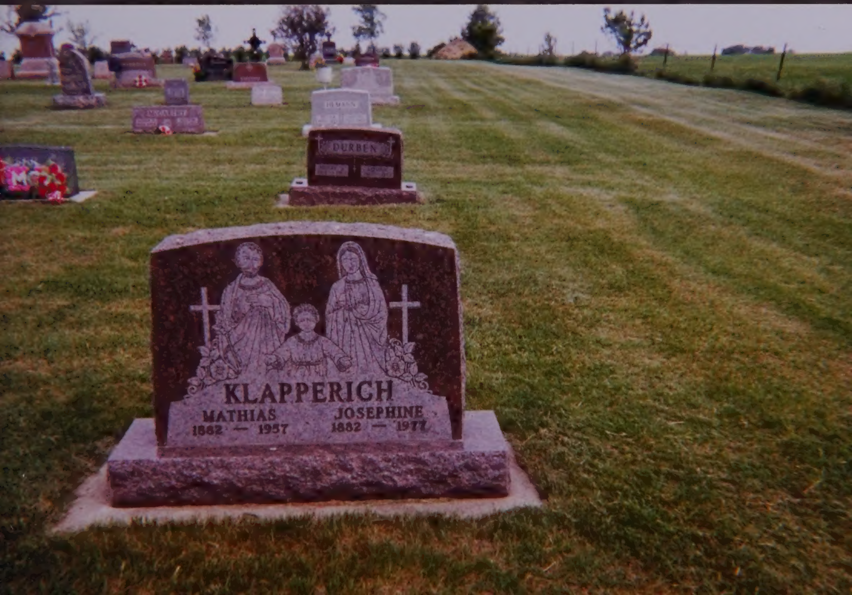
Center row, left to right
- Clara (Matheis Sahr)
- Michael (Barbara Bell)
- Margaret (Albert Theobald)
- Barbara Bell (Michael Klapperich)

Front row, left to right
- Magdalena (Edward Frank Hemann)
- Elizabeth (Stephen Krebsbach)
- Mary (Arnold Stephani)

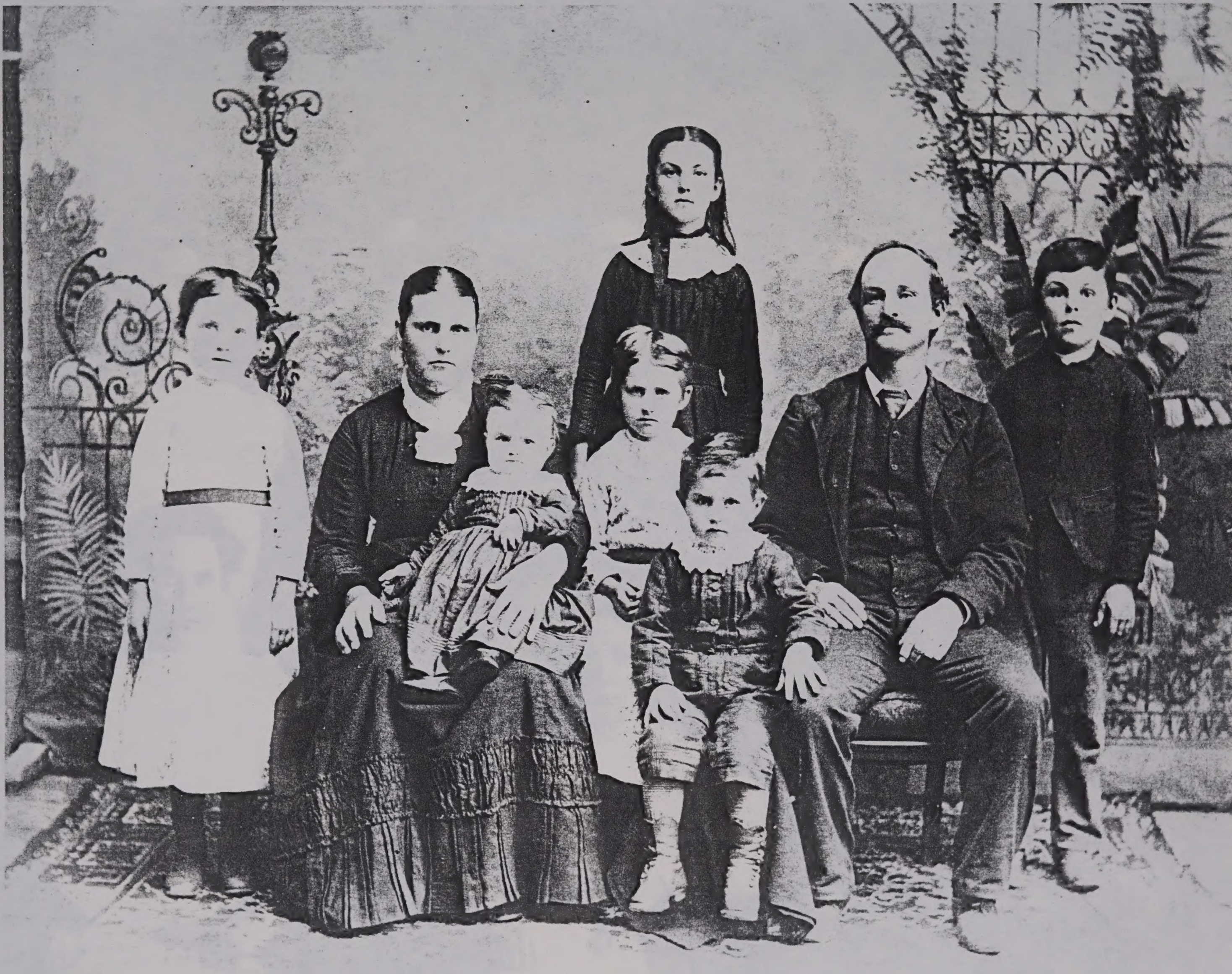
Not included
- Anna (1879-1881)
- Gertrude (1880-1880)

Margaret, the youngest, was born in 1905 as a clue to when the photo was taken.

This is a copy of a copy. The people were already identified, but I think that grandpa Mathias looks more like the second from the left in the back row than third from the left. I think maybe Isabella Morse (daughter or Stephen and Christina) sent this to me. Her address is 1496 Birch Ave., Riceville, Iowa, 50466. Her phone is 641-329-5835.


DURBEN
KLAPPERICH
MATHIAS
1862 — 1957
JOSEPHINE
1882 — 1977

Anna - in the back of all
Mary - Mother - Josephine.—
Father - Nicholas
Christina I in mother's lap.
William by his Father below



THE FAMILY OF HELEN MUELLER & JOSEPH MICHELS

Helen Lucy Mueller born 4-26-1900
died 10-10-1978

Helen married Joseph Florian Michels on 10-23-1919
Joe born 6-4-1898
died 9-28-1952

Their children: Wilmer Peter b. 5-14-1920

Ethel Catherine b. 8-20-1921

Patricia Christina b. 11-29-1927
d. 12-14-1975

Ruth Marie b. 11-2-1929

Joseph Leon b. 10-6-1932

John Nicholas b. 2-26-1935

Hazel Leona b. 10-22-1937

Wilmer (Bud) married Marita Ann Smith on 11-28-1944
Marita born 3-28-1920

Children: Linda Ann b. 6-14-1945

Linda married Arnold Albert Felten on 11-16-1968
Arnie b. 4-24-1938

children: Scott Allen b. 9-27-1969

Julie Ann b. 2-28-1971

Andrew John b. 10-24-1974

Brian Peter b. 3-26-1978

Ethel married John Bissen Jr. on 9-25-1940
John (Buddy) born 3-22-1917

Children: Rita Jean b. 8-8-1941

Ellen Mary b. 5-22-1945

Janet Ruth b. 8-28-1946

Doris Ann b. 9-25-1951

Michael Joseph b. 9-28-1954

Donna Marie b. 2-13-1958

Rita married Paul James Hackenmiller on 10-29-1960
Paul b. 2-3-1939

children: Sheila Marie b. 12-21-1961

Elaine Ann b. 1-5-1963

Karen Rose b. 3-24-1964

Jolene Mary b. 10-31-1968

Sheila married Steven Schulz on 10-10-1981

children: Shannon Graig b. 11-4-1983

Stephani Kim b. 12-21-1984

Ellen married Louis Essa Kanavati on 10-11-1969
Louie b. 4-5-1945

children: Domonique Marie b. 10-17-1970

Lucas Essa b. 2-7-1973

Alexia Miriam b. 1-14-1975

Erika Mary b. 12-13-1976

Janet married Charles Frederick Taylor on 2-24-1968
Charlie b. 7-13-1945

children: Tammy Rene b. 5-28-1972

Michele Lee b. 10-5-1973

Doris married Thomas Lane Parker on 5-29-1971
Tom b. 2-16-1950

children: Jonathan Thomas b. 7-28-1972

Adam Jackson b. 12-9-1977

Erin Theresa b. 7-27-1982

Mike married Laurie Kay Holmlund on 10-7-1978
Laurie b. 12-6-1955

children: Sarah Catherine b. 2-23-1983

Donna married Rick Lee Bamlet on 5-30-1981
Rick b. 1-17-1957

Patricia married Ken Murdock on 8-3-1953
Ken born 1-12-1917

Children: Patrick Joseph b. 4-27-1960

Pat married Stacey Rae Fury on 2-16-1985

Ruth married Everell Page Olson on 10-3-1948 divorced 2-1972
Everell (Ole) b. 3-15-1927
d. 7-6-1974

Children: Arneil Everell b. 3-28-1949

Andrid Myron b. 7-31-1952

Andrea Marie b. 1-8-1954
d. 1-9-1954

Mark Marius b. 2-15-1955

Joel Stanley b. 8-8-1956

Kristin Marie b. 7-13-1958

Solveig Ann b. 11-30-1959

Ranelle Leah b. 7-13-1964

Arneil married Kathleen Anette Wach on 11-30-1968
Kathy b. 7-14-1948 div. 10-1978

children: Torey Neil b. 5-4-1976
d. 1-13-1977

Arneil married Ann Louise Primus on 8-11-1984
Ann b. 5-4-1959

Andrid married Delphina Lolita Hurtado - Van Kammen on 2-13-1982
Delphina b. ?

children: Heather Anette Van Kammen b. 12-17-1973

Jessica Solveig Olson b. 4-4-1980

Lindsey Page Olson b. 5-25-1982

Mark married Kimberly Buchner on 8-20-1978 div. 9-1984
Kim b. 7-14-1957

Joel married Denise Delaine Wren on 6-11-1977
Denise b. 10-20-1953

children: Douglas Joel b. 5-11-1978

Leif Page b. 7-25-1980

Kristin married David William Harvey on 5-7-1977
David b. 10-21-1957 div. 9-1981

children: Joshua David b. 9-2-1978

Joseph (Pete) never married.

John (Jack) married Lorene Ann Tibbets on 5-23-1955 div. 1967
Lorene b. 1-15-1936

children: Stephen Dean b. 8-22-1960

Jeffrey Alan b. 9-10-1961

Russell Eugene b. 3-5-1965

Steve married Laura Jo Pellegrean on 2-13-1982
Laura b. 9-16-1962

children: Christopher John b. 8-9-1983

Jeff married Jane Elizabeth Johnson on 7-11-1981
Jane b. 12-6-1962

children: Scott Alan b. 3-28-1982

Thomas John b. 12-22-1984

Rusty married Rhonda Jean Von Dortrecht on 4-6-1985
Rhonda b. 5-26-1965

Hazel married Clement Joseph Heimer on 4-27-1957
Clem b. 3-19-1934 d 29 Dec 1985 - father was Tony Heimer

children: Martin Joseph b. 3-24-1961

Sandra Ann b. 1-23-1963

Keith James b. 10-24-1965

Sandra married Douglas John Adams on 3-2-1984
Doug b. 10-11-1960

children: Holly Marie b. 6-20-1984
Joshua Allen B. 7-10-1985 - Osage, Ia

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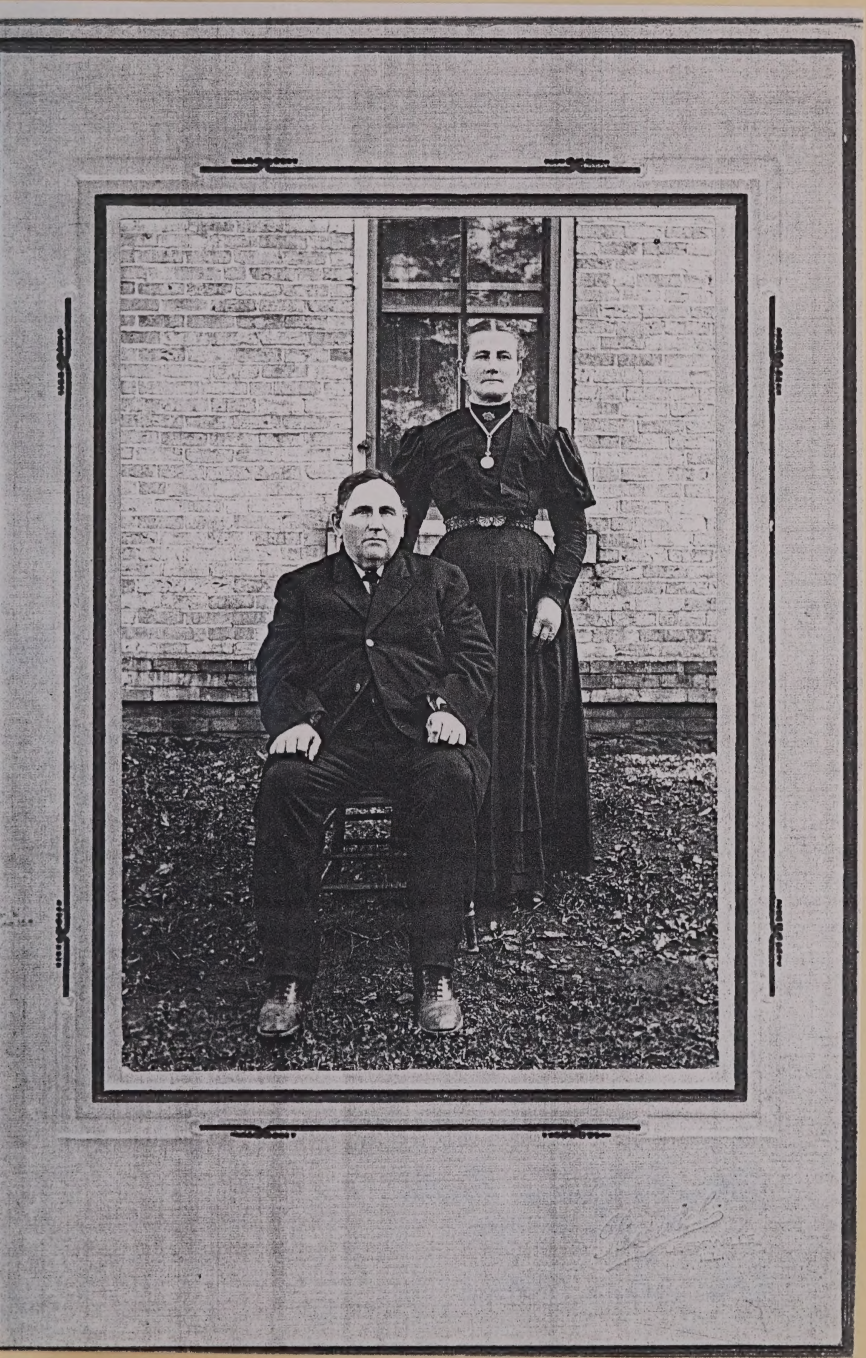

Maria Katherina Mueller
m. John Lentzen

father johann (John)

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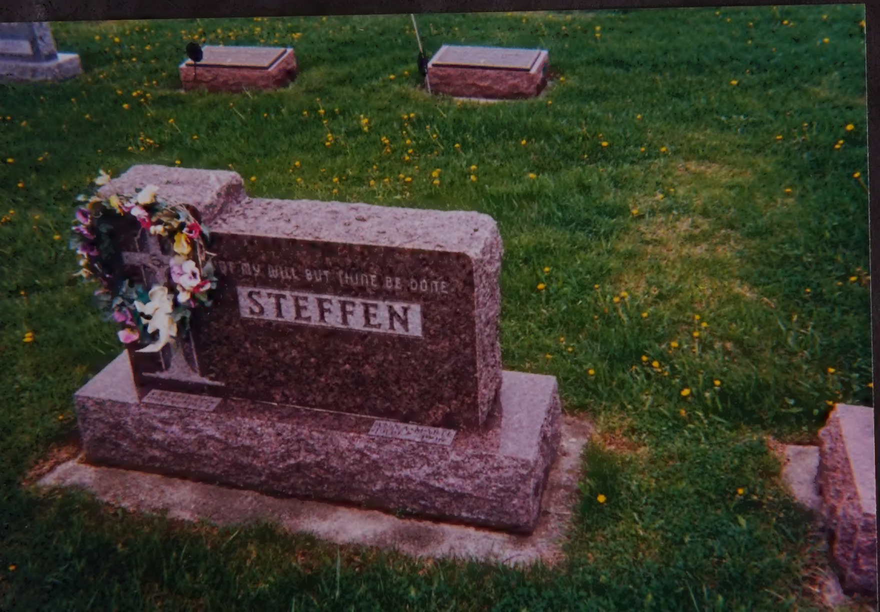
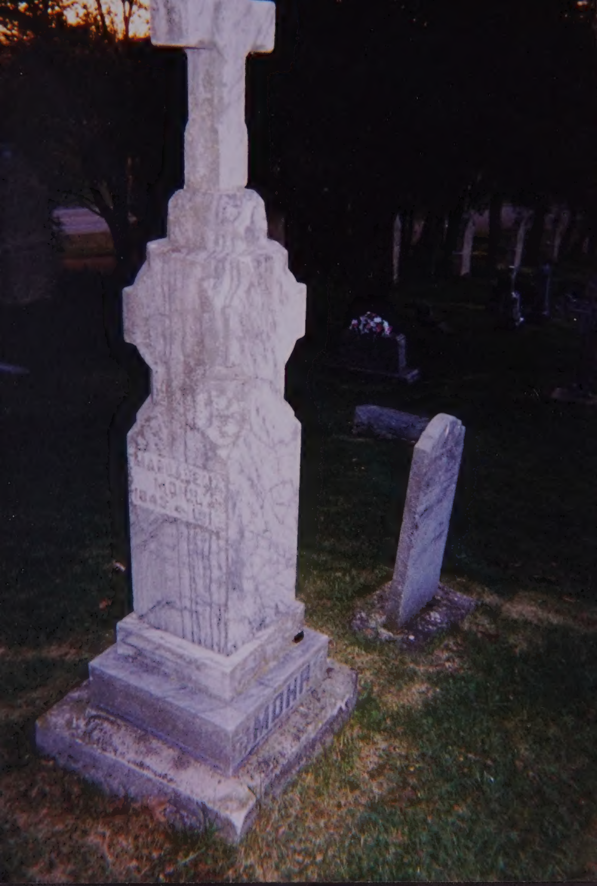

OT MY WILL BUT THINE BE DONE
STEFFEN

Anna Marie, right, & Arthur Steffen
St. Joe, FDL Co., WI



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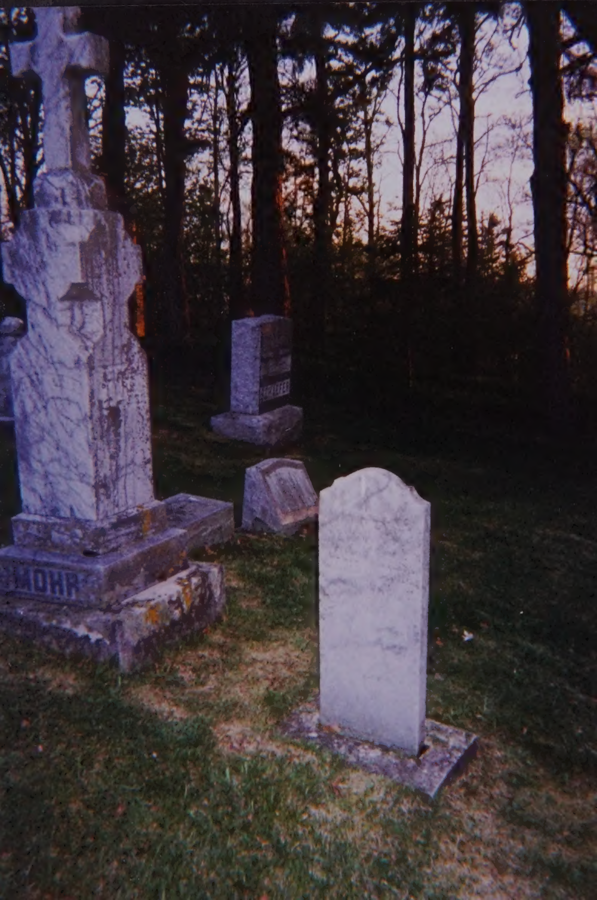

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Holy Cross Cemetery, Mt. Calvary,
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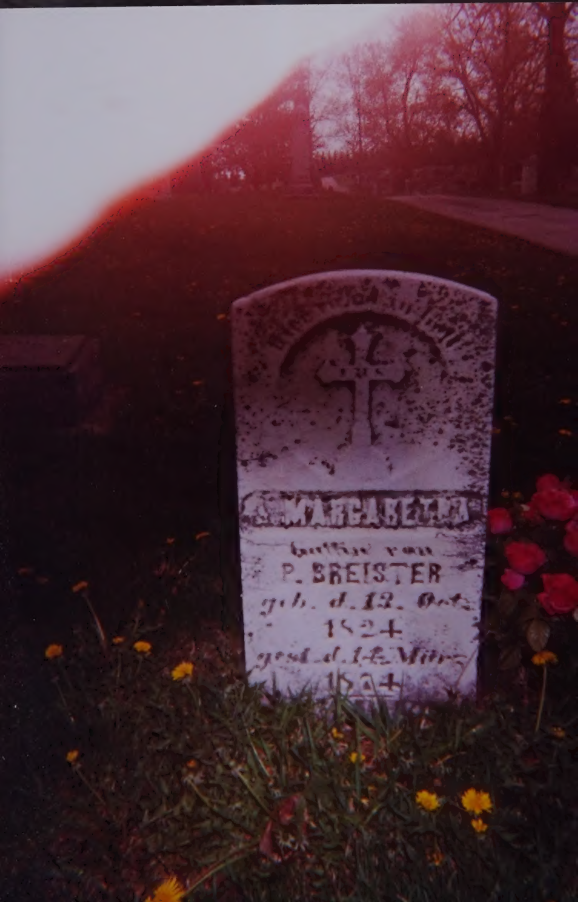
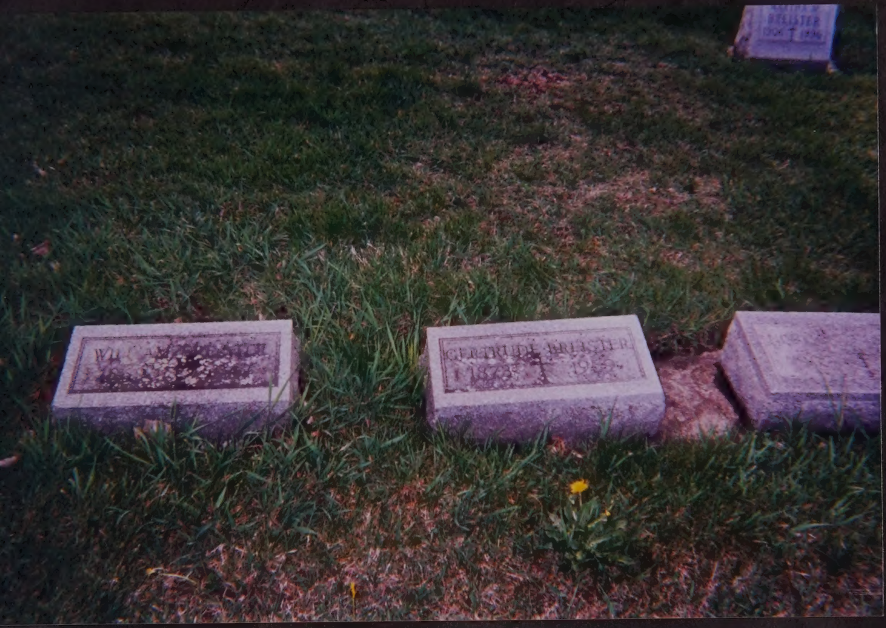
Jacob Mohr on front + left of monument,
Magdalena on back. Daughter Mary K
on headstone in front of parents


MARGARETHA
Gattin von
P. BREISTER
geb. d. 12. Oct.
1824
gest. d. 14. März
1864



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William, Lft, & Gertrude Breister.
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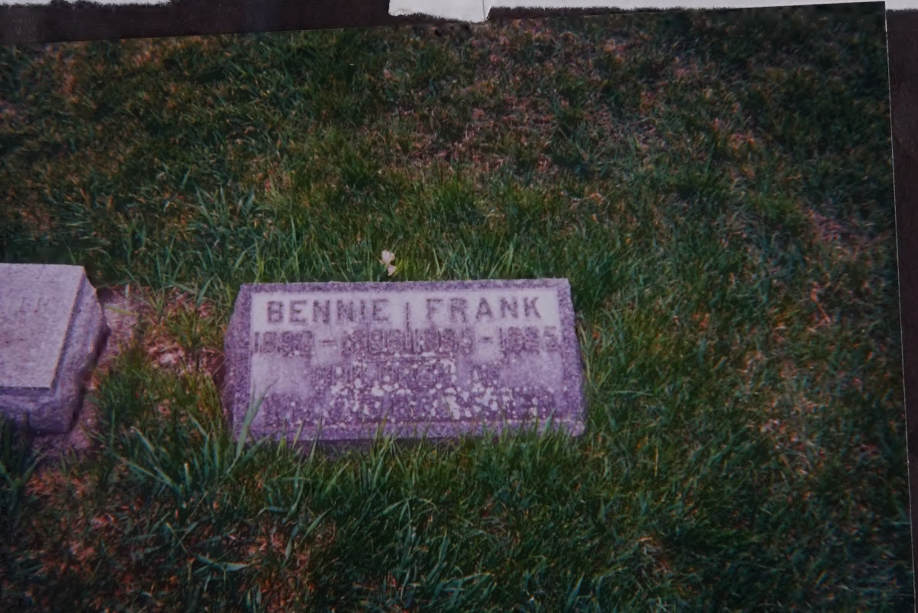

W Norman, left, Barney Breister
Calvary Cemetery, FDL, WI

Benedict & Frank Breister
Eugene & Elmer Breister buried at
foot without stone.
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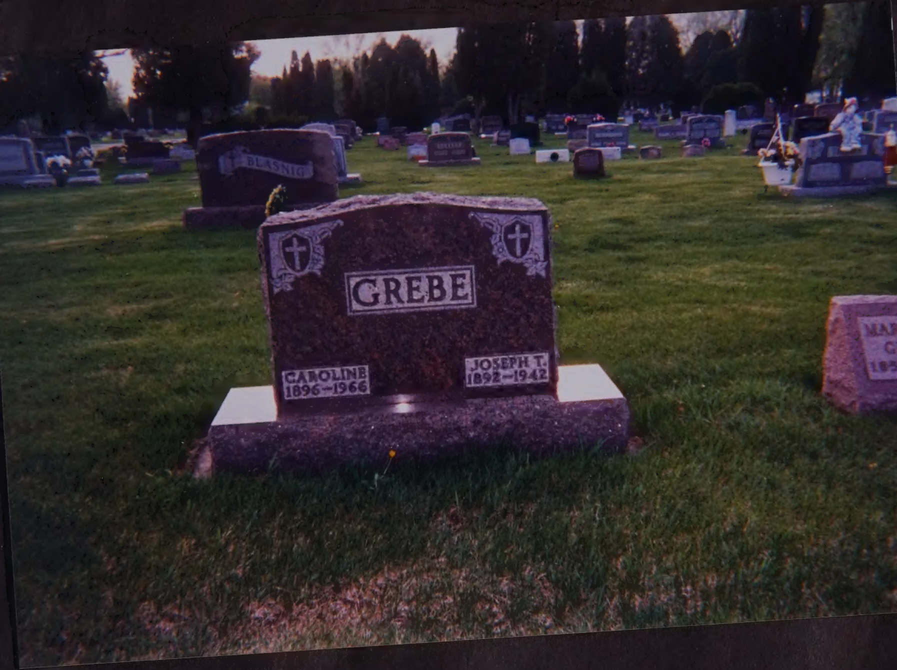
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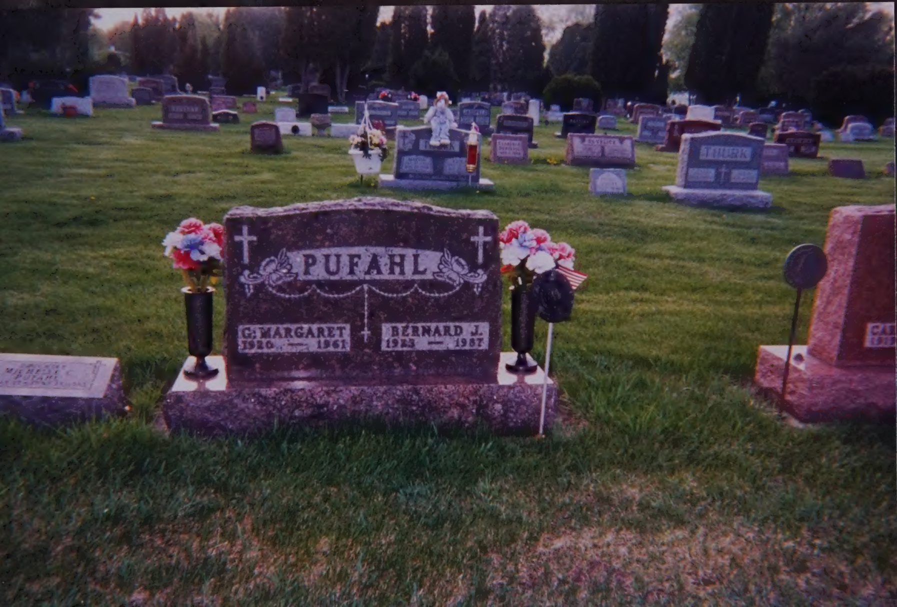
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1926 — 1961
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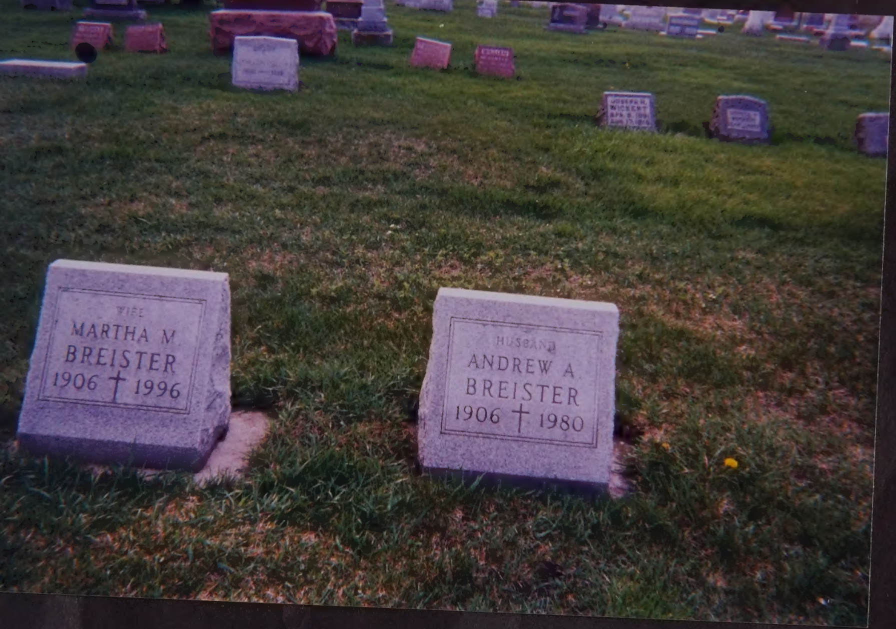
1923 — 1987



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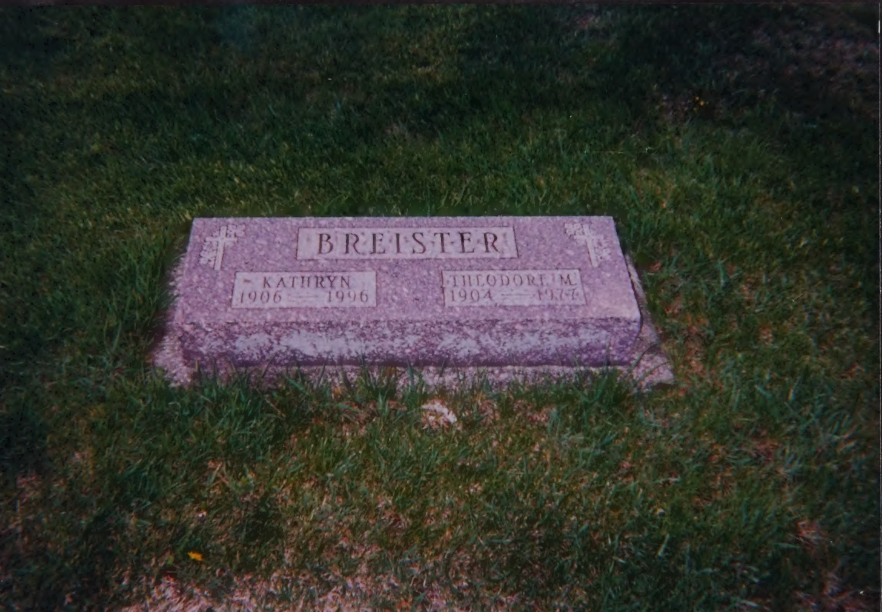

Rena <Durben> + Ted Breister
Martha <Klapperich> + Andrew Breister
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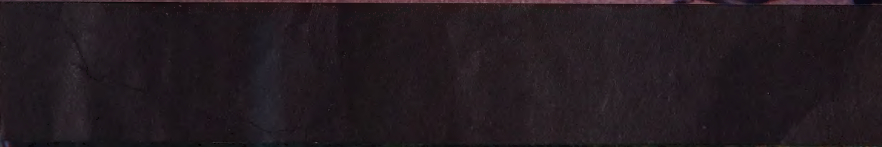

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Peter Joseph Breister, 2nd Son of Peter + Margaretha Breister. Calvary Cemetery, FDL, WI

401 N. Main, FDL, built by Peter, Grocery in front room.
14 Sibley, green house in back, built by William. House from which Eugene Breister buried.